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Scriptures

• <u>Romans 9:17</u>

For the Scripture says to Pharoah, "For this very purpose I raised you up, to demonstrate My power in you, and that My name might be proclaimed throughout the whole earth."

Other Scriptures

- Romans 11:33
- Exodus 1:8-14
- Exodus 9:12
- Isaiah 55:9
- Matt. 24:6-7
- Matt. 28:18
- Revelation 11:15
- I Tim. 2:1-2
- Romans 13:1

Main Points

- God can use believers in the lives of government officials that don't share our faith.
- God wants to use His people to affect government.
- Let us be salt and light, let us not give up and retreat!
- We need to believe in the sovereignty of God.
- God has a story that He is working out in human history.
- We have to believe that God sovereign and His plan is being worked out.
- Jesus came to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to earth.
- Whenever God is reigning on earth, the Kingdom of Heaven is present on earth.
- The Lord is still sovereign and has a purpose and a plan.
- God has called us as sons and daughters to influence every sphere on this earth.
- This country was founded by people who were believers in the Scriptures.
- The phrase "Separation of Church and State" is not in our founding documents.
- Government should not control religion, but neither should it exclude religion.
- It is important for Christians to pray for leaders.

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Discussion Questions

1. What are some Biblical examples that Rabbi presented showing Godly people helping to advise and counsel ungodly rulers? If God were to give you the opportunity to advise your rulers what are some things you might say to them? Start right now to pray these things for our leaders.

2. How does knowing and believing that God is sovereign help to bring peace when things seem out of control and unholy in our land?

3. Rabbi ended his teaching with this statement about Christian involvement in government through prayer and service with the statement, "If not you, who?" Does this resonate with you toward a commitment to pray more and seek ways to help influence those who are leaders around you? How so? What can you begin doing today to let your voice be heard?