

Moses' hand was originally not intended to be a transmitter but a receiver —

— there is a way that south right — death

— Saul in I Sm 15 — it seemed right

— Israel at Canaan — it seemed logical not to go in — But they weren't supposed to think about it, just do it.

— abel + Isaac

Matt 7:21 etc

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"There is no authority except O," therefore all authority is O's authority"

Greatest illustration of this is the question of slavery in N.T. — worst of all human injustices — yet O commands slaves to be obedient to masters — never tells them to rebel — why?

— Because, right or wrong, it was established by the authority of the govt & it derives its authority from O.

— what if the authority is wrong? If O deems to entrust His authority to men, then we can dare to obey. Whether the one in authority is right or wrong does not concern us, since he has to be responsible directly to O. The obedient needs only to obey; the lord will not hold us responsible for any mistaken obedience, rather will he hold the delegated authority responsible for his erroneous act.