

Biblical Principles of Government

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1. Equality

- God has made each human as a free moral agent
- Rights come from God, not from Government
- All men are equally free

2. Rule of Law

- Role of government: Enforce laws/maintain order
 - Romans 13:4
 - 1 Peter 2:14
 - 1 Timothy 2:1-2

3. Limited and local government preferred

- Solve issues as locally as possible
 - Exodus 18:12-27 Jethro's good counsel
- Focus on the important, not the trivial (Matt 23:23)

4. Biblical Economics

- Private Property
- Personal Responsibility and Initiative
- Freedom

5. Justice

- Civil justice
- Commercial Justice
- The need for wise judges
- Special consideration for the weak