



RETHINK – “Rebel?” Freedom vs. Rebellion

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Discussion

Questions: Name someone that experiences ultimate freedom. [Trick question: no one. Even Jesus Christ submitted to God's authority!]

- When will you experience the most freedom in your life? [Many say when adults, but many adults say they had fewer authorities to answer to.]
- Is the following statement difficult to live by?

“Be a good citizen. All governments are under God. Insofar as there is peace and order, it's God's order. So live responsibly as a citizen. If you're irresponsible to the state, then you're irresponsible with God, and God will hold you responsible. Duly constituted authorities are only a threat if you're trying to get by with something. Decent citizens should have nothing to fear.”

(Rom.13:1-2, The Message Paraphrase)

- What have you learned from past authority?
- As a group come up with the three most important qualities they want in an authority figure? (trust, respect, consistent, etc)

Pray: go around and list spiritual authorities to pray for. Then pray for them and their lives.

Chapel Notes