

man for the Lord's sake, yielding obedience to the powers that be, and praying for their preservation and well-being in all things.

But the question is, "What is taught in the Word" on this point? An all-important question. What then saith the Scripture? A passage or two will suffice. Hear what our Lord saith, when addressing the Father in reference to "His own in the world." "I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because *they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.* I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. *They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.*" Again, hear the inspired apostle on this subject: "Brethren be followers together of me, and mark them that walk so as ye have us for an ensample. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ, whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, *who mind earthly things.*) For our citizenship (*politeoma*) is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ." (Philippians iii. 17-20.) So also in Colossians we read, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ our life shall appear, then shall

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