

responsibility in the acceptance or refusal of a government assuring safety from all evils.

These things considered, the next question is, What does the word Church mean? We find it is derived from the word, Ecclesia. This word means, in the original and scriptural sense, "The called out ones," a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people, rendering obedience to one master only, the Christ of the Scriptures, who taught that it was wrong to assume to be or to call any man father or master in a spiritual sense.

In the Ecclesia of the Christ of the Apostles, the titles of to-day, requiring a servile obeisance, were not to be found ; but a spirit of self-abnegation, generating a pure, sincere feeling of brotherly regard, in practice recording that wealth due to the provisions of nature and industry should be attained and enjoyed equitably by all. The conquests they achieved were not by seeking legislative favor, nor with swords and guns, but by appeals to the af-