



Reimagining My Role in Better Policing February 19 & 20, 2022

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Why should we give our “personal best” for police and city officials?

- **Because we are citizens of heaven.**

Philippians 3:20-21 (CEV)

“But we are citizens of heaven and are eagerly waiting for our Savior to come from there. Our Lord Jesus Christ has power over everything, and he will make these poor bodies of ours like his own glorious body.”

- **Because our citizenship here will influence others to explore the good news of Jesus.**

Philippians 1:27 (CEV)

“Above all else, you must live in a way that brings honor to the good news about Christ. Then, whether I visit you or not, I will hear that all of you think alike. I will know that you are working together and are struggling side by side to get others to believe the good news.”

Reimagining my role in better policing:

1

Obey the law and choose to be peaceful in every circumstance.

Titus 3:1-2 (TPT)

“Remind people to respect their governmental leaders on every level as law-abiding citizens and to be ready to fulfill their civic duty. And remind them to never tear down anyone with their words or quarrel, but instead be considerate, humble, and courteous to everyone.”

Romans 13:4 (TPT)

“Those in authority are God’s servants for the good of society. But if you break the law, you have reason to be alarmed, for they are God’s agents of punishment to bring criminals to justice. Why do you think they carry weapons?”

2

Offer consistent prayers and continual support.

James 5:16 (TPT)

“Confess and acknowledge how you have offended one another and then pray for one another to be instantly healed, for tremendous power is released through the passionate, heartfelt prayer of a godly believer!”

3

Observe and honor the sacrifices of our police officers.

Matthew 5:9 (NLT)

“God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God.”

1 Peter 2:13-15 (TPT)

“In order to honor the Lord, you must respect and defer to the authority of every human institution, whether it be the highest ruler or the governors he puts in place to punish lawbreakers and to praise those who do what’s right. For it is God’s will for you to silence the ignorance of foolish people by doing what is right.”

John 15:13 (TPT)

“For the greatest love of all is a love that sacrifices all. And this great love is demonstrated when a person sacrifices his life for his friends.”



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