

*O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah. (Psalms 67:4)*

Now here is indeed an interesting provocation of joy. We are to be hauled into court. In addition to that, we learn more of government! We are not accustomed to being overcome with glee at a court appearance. And most of us view government and rattlesnakes in the same category.

That is because of two facts that shape our feelings. (1) Human government is oppressive, stupid, evil, inefficient, and a heavy burden around our necks. Judgment is always unjust. (2) We as rebels hate to be governed, to be told what to do, even if it is the right thing for us.

Two things will change all of that. (1) The Government of Christ is good, wholesome, wise, perfect and liberating, as well as just. (2) God will give us a new heart so that we will literally *love* being told what to do. Is not God's perfect will sweet? Amen.

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