

**THE WILL OF GOD**  
**CONCERNING MEN AND NATIONS**  
(THE HIGHER POWER OR  
SELF-EVIDENT TRUTH)

**Men**

**Nations**

Law of Nature

Law of Nations



**Romans 7:15–25**

For that which I do I allow not; for what I would, that do I not; but *what I hate that do I*.

If, then, I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.

Now, then, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

For I know that in me (that is, *in my flesh*) dwelleth no good thing; for to will is present with me, but how to perform that which is good I find not.

For the good that I would, I do not; but the evil which I would not, that I do.

Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but *sin that dwelleth in me*.

I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

For I delight in the law of God after the inward man;

But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and *bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members*.

Oh, wretched man that I am! *Who shall deliver me from the body of this death?*

I thank God through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So, then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh, the law of sin.

**Romans 8:2, 3**

For *the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus* hath made me free from the **law of sin and death**. . . God sending *his own Son*, in the likeness of sinful flesh and *for sin, condemned sin in the flesh*. . .

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**The Law of Nations  
(The Rights and Duties of Each Nations)**

**Genesis 10:32**

These are *the families of the sons of Noah*, after their generations, *in their nations*: and *by these were the nations divided in the earth* after the flood.”

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**Acts 17:26–27**

And [God] hath made of one blood *all nations of men to* dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined he times before appointed, and *the bounds of their habitation*, That *they should seek the Lord*, if haply *they might* feel after him, and *find him*, though he is not far from *every one* of us. . . .

**Acts 14: 15, 16, 17**

. . . the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and *all things that are therein*: Who in times past suffered *all nations to walk in their own ways*. Nevertheless, *he left not himself without witness*, in that *he did good*, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.





**Independence**

(Webster, 1828)

“A state of being *not dependent; complete exemption from control, or the power of others*; as the *independence* of the Supreme Being.

“A state in which a person *does not rely on others for subsistence; ability to support one’s self.*”

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**Matthew 7:12**

Therefore *all things* whatsoever *ye would that men should do to you*, do ye even to them: for this is the law of the prophets.

**Luke 6:31**

And *as ye would* that men should do to you, *do ye also* to them

**Right of Each Nation**

- absolute freedom, independence and equality;
- reserve to itself the decisions of what it is do to on all occasions; and
- ask another assistance and kind offices, but not of requiring them

**Duties of Each Nation**

- Assist and grant mutual aid
- Suffer certain things to be done that are very unjust and blamable, which to oppose violates the liberty of another state