

The Biblical-Principle Approach Homeschool Experience™

# *Principles of Liberty*

**EXPANDED (B)**

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## Private Property

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**In the previous lesson**, we focused primarily on the internal qualities of God's Principle of Individuality, the Principle of Self-Government, and the Principle of Quality/Christian Character.

**Before you get any further** in this lesson, you may want to review Module 4, Lesson 3 and refresh your memory on the Principles of Liberty.



The next principles on our list are: Private Property (conscience) and the Biblical Form of Government.

Our first principle is *Private Property*. Let's go ahead and define the words *private* and *property* using Webster's 1828 Dictionary:



PRI'VATE, adjective [Latin privatus, from privo, to bereave, properly to strip or separate; privus, singular, several, peculiar to one's self, that is, separate; rapio, diripio, eripio; privo for perivo or berivo.]

1. Properly, separate; unconnected with others; hence, peculiar to one's self; belonging to or concerning an individual only; as a man's private opinion, business or concerns; private property; the king's private purse; a man's private expenses. Charge the money to my private account in the company's books.

PRI'VATE, noun A **secret** message; particular business. [Unusual.]

SE'CRET, adjective.

2. Unseen; private; secluded; being in retirement.

7. Known to God only.

PROP'ERTY, noun

1. A peculiar quality of any thing; that which is inherent in a subject, or naturally essential to it.

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4. The exclusive right of possessing, enjoying and disposing of a thing; ownership. In the beginning of the world, the Creator gave to man dominion over the earth, over the fish of the sea and the fowls of the air, and over every living thing. This is the foundation of man's property in the earth and in all its productions.

**Assignment 1:** Read the following passages of Scripture. Reflect on what you learn about the internal quality of conscience and write it down.

1. Isaiah 30:21 \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Acts 23:1 \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Romans 2:15 \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Romans 9:1 \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Romans 13:5 \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Hebrews 10:22 \_\_\_\_\_

7. Hebrews 13:18 \_\_\_\_\_

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### Assignment 1 (continued)

8. 1 Timothy 1:5 \_\_\_\_\_

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9. 1 Peter 3:16 \_\_\_\_\_

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10. 2 Corinthians 1:12 \_\_\_\_\_

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11. 1 Peter 3:21 \_\_\_\_\_

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12. James 4:17 \_\_\_\_\_

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13. 2 Samuel 24:10 \_\_\_\_\_

14. Psalm 51:10 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Assignment 2:** Answer the reason and relate questions below:

1. What connection does the heart have with the conscience? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Why is there so much emphasis in the Bible on our internal private property of conscience?

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3. How does our conscience affect our vertical relationship with God and our horizontal relationship with our fellow man?

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## Biblical Form of Government

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Before you move on to the Biblical Form of Government, you may want to revisit Module 1, Lesson 3 and remind yourself about the Three Functions of Government. Remember, the last one is how America's form of government is designed.

Webster's 1828 Dictionary defines *Biblical* and *form* as:



BIB'LICAL, adjective Pertaining to the Bible, or to the sacred writings; as biblical criticism.

1. A mark made by cutting or engraving; as on stone, metal or other hard material.

FORM, noun [Latin forma.]

2. Manner of arranging particulars; disposition of particular things...

3. Model; draught; pattern.

4. Beauty; elegance; splendor; dignity.

11. Manner; system; as a form of government; a monarchical or republican form

18. Essential form is that mode of existence which constitutes a thing what it is, and without which it could not exist.

**Assignment 3:** Based on the above definitions, In your own words write what a Biblical Form of Government means.

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Review your lessons for Principles of Liberty Expanded (A) on page 3 (Fruits of the Holy Spirit) and Principles of Liberty Expanded (B) regarding the Principle of Private Property (Conscience).

- 1. Explain how the Principle of Private Property (our internal private property of conscience) relates to the Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

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Review your lessons for Module 1.

Civil Government is what tends to come to mind for individuals when they hear "government." But, government means direction, regulation, control, and restraint. Explain Biblical Form of Government when it comes to the four spheres of government.

**1.** Explain the Biblical Form of Government within the Four Spheres of Government. What does it look like when the individual is in submission to the Biblical Form? What does it look like for the family, the church, and civil government (the nations)?

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# Private Property (Conscience) | Biblical Form of Government

Principles of Liberty: Expanded (B)

**In this expanded lesson, you learned or reinforced your convictions of:**

- having a Biblical Worldview definition of each principle
- the **most important aspect** of God's Principle of Private Property and God's Biblical Form of Government is the **internal** aspect
- that God has quite a lot to say about *conscience*
- the meaning of *Biblical Form of Government*

**In this lesson, you reflect on how:**

- there's a connection(s) between God's Principle of Private Property and The Fruits of the Holy Spirit
- there's at least one reason for great emphasis on the internal private property of conscience
- our conscience affects our vertical relationship with God and our horizontal relationship with our fellow man
- the Biblical Form of Government impacts the four Spheres of Government