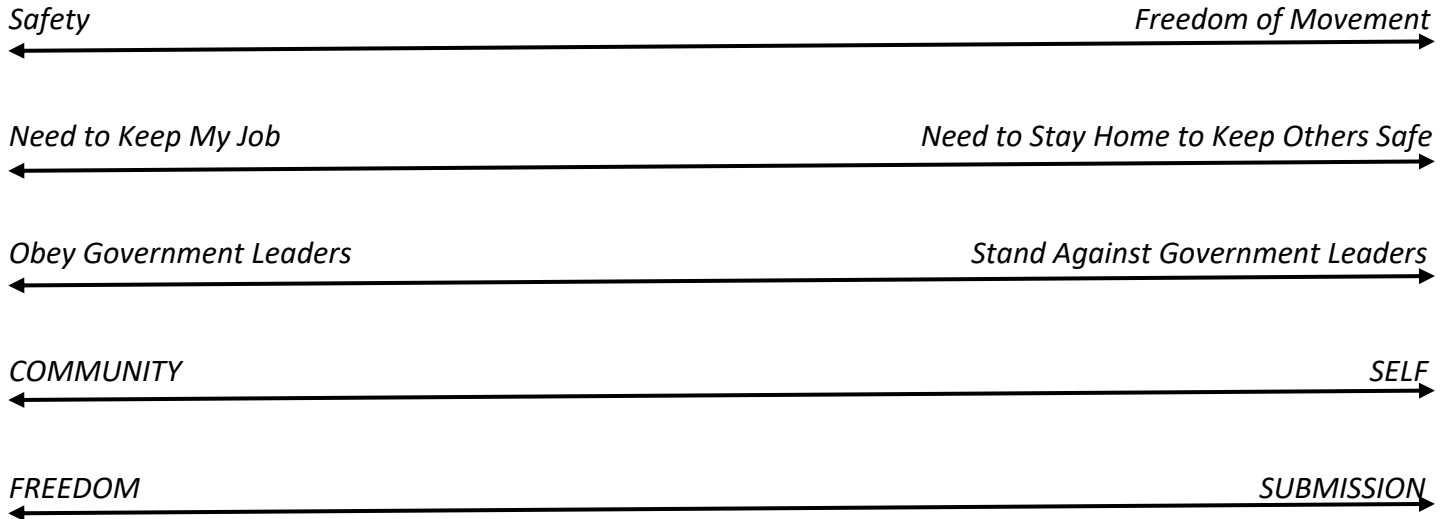


CHRISTIAN FREEDOM DURING A PANDEMIC

SVCC Sunday Morning Online Bible Study

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HOW DO FOLLOWERS OF JESUS BALANCE PERSONAL FREEDOM AGAINST SUBMISSION TO AUTHORITIES AND TO THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY?



Consider these passages:

Galatians 5:13-15 — In what sense are Christians “free”?

- What does Paul encourage us to do with our freedom?

James 3:13-18 — What does godly wisdom look like in action? How does this description of godly wisdom inform how we should think of our freedom in Christ?

Romans 13:1-2 — How does Paul teach Christians to relate to government authorities?

...but **Acts 5:29** — What principle about government authority does Peter give voice to here?

- Who was right—Peter or Paul?

FOR FOLLOWERS OF JESUS, WHAT IS THE FINAL ADJUDICATOR IN THE TENSION BETWEEN CHRISTIAN FREEDOM AND CHRISTIAN SUBMISSION?

Philippians 2:1-16a — What did Jesus do with his divine freedom?

- What does Paul urge believers to do in order to follow this example of Jesus?