

"American Government/Civics"—Scope and Sequence: Schedule for Topics and Skills

Week	Memory Work	Bible Reading	History/Social Studies	Geography	Biography
1	Romans 13:1–2	Brief summary of the history of the Reformed tradition; Theonomy	Judeo-Christian Background; Introduction: The Political Crisis; Principles of Government; The Constitution	<i>Europe; America; Iran; Vietnam; Central America; South America; Plymouth; New England; Massachusetts; Washington, D.C.; Lynchburg, Virginia; Israel; Geneva; Zurich; Switzerland; France; Germany; Holland; Scotland; England; PolandVallecito, California; Tyler, Texas; Orange County, California;</i>	
2	Romans 13:3–4	Theonomy	A Constitutional Government; The Constitution; The House of Representatives; The Senate; Congress	<i>England; United States</i>	
3	Romans 13:5–7	Theonomy	A Constitutional Government; A Republic; A Federal System of Government; The Constitution; Amendment 12; The Presidency; The Federal Court System	<i>United States; Uganda; Jericho; Sinai; El Salvador; Egypt; Gethsemane; Jerusalem</i>	
4	1 Timothy 2:1–2	Theonomy; Principled Pluralism	A Limited Government; The Bill of Rights; American Colonial Experience; Practical Political Experience; Development of Ideas on Liberty; Civil Liberties	<i>Virginia; Massachusetts; England; Philadelphia; Cuba, Russia; Netherlands</i>	John Wise; Jonathan Mayhew; Benjamin Franklin; Adam Smith; Andrew Hamilton
5	1 Timothy 2:3–4	Principled Pluralism	The Declaration of Independence; The State Constitutions; The Articles of Confederation; The Constitution of 1878	<i>Massachusetts; Virginia; Spain; Mississippi River; Philadelphia, Greece, Rome</i>	Richard Henry Lee; Thomas Jefferson; George Washington; Benjamin Franklin; James Madison
6	1 Timothy 2:5–6	Principled Pluralism; Christian America	Government at the State Level; County Government; Municipal Governments; Other Local Governments; Putting the Government into Operation; Setting an Economic Course; Amendment 11; Federalism	<i>South Africa; Ireland; Spain; Manassas, Virginia</i>	Alexander Hamilton; George Washington

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7	1 Peter 2:13–14	Christian America	Foreign Affairs; Washington's Farewell Address; The Rise of Political Parties; American Ideology and Public Opinion; Political Parties	<i>France; Louisiana Purchase territory; Spain; Barbary Coast; Morocco; Algiers; Tunis; Tripoli; New Orleans; Kentucky; Virginia; Barbary Coast; Morocco; Algiers; Tunis; Tripoli; Austria; Klosters; Scandanavia; Italy; Constantinople; Britain; Ottoman Empire;</i>	John Jay; Napoleon Bonaparte; George Washington; Thomas Jefferson; James Madison
8	1 Peter 2:15–17	Christian America; National Confessionalism	The Jeffersonians; The Jacksonians; The Establishment of the Supreme Court; Jefferson's First Inaugural	<i>South Carolina; Red Sea; Philadelphia</i>	Thomas Jefferson; Andrew Jackson
9	Revelation 1:4b–5a	National Confessionalism	Major Decisions of Marshall Court; The Taney Court; Origins of the U.S. Supreme Court; The Justices; The Court at Work; The Chief Justice	<i>Kansas; Nebraska; Atlantic Ocean; Canada; Virginia; Connecticut; Pennsylvania; Antioch; Thessalonica; Tyre; Sidon; Tripoli; Cyprus; Armenia; Ethiopia; Assyria;</i>	John Marshall; Roger Taney
10	Revelation 1:5b–6	National Confessionalism	The Court and the Other Branches; The Court and the Public; The Court and the World; Civil War and Reconstruction; Republicans in Power; Conduct of the War and Presidential Reconstruction; Congressional Reconstruction; Constitutional Reconstruction; Constitutional Restoration; Civil Rights; Segregation and Racism in the Deep South	<i>Fort Sumter; South Carolina; New Orleans; Mississippi; Delaware; Maryland; North Carolina; Georgia; New Hampshire</i>	Abraham Lincoln; Thaddeus Stevens; John Howard Griffin
11	Ecclesiastes 12:13–14	The Theonomic Major Response; The Principled Pluralist Major Response; The Christian America Major Response	American Government in the 20th Century Introduction; Cutting Away the Foundations; The Rise of Socialism; Major Reforms of Progressives; Amendments 16–19; Segregation and Racism in the Deep South	<i>United States; Europe; Russia; Mississippi; Mobile; Montgomery; Georgia</i>	Thomas Hobbes; Franklin D. Roosevelt; John Howard Griffin

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12	Revelation 5:9–10	The National Confessional Major Response; A Summary of Arguments and Disagreements	Breaking the Constitutional Dam; Emergency Used to Justify Action; Overwhelming Congress; Bringing the Courts to Heel; Buying the People; Overwhelming the State Governments; Buying and Controlling the States; States Reduced to Minions by the Warren Court; Amendments 20–27; Economic Policy, Foreign Policy, and National Defense; American Political Culture; Segregation and Racism in the Deep South	<i>Atlanta; New Orleans; Mansfield; Byzantium; California</i>	Franklin D. Roosevelt; Earl Warren; John Howard Griffin
13	Colossians 2:8–9	Morality; Rationality; Family; Humanity	States Reduced to Minions by the Warren Court; Government out of Control; Fiscal Policy and Spending; The Policy-Making Process	<i>Holland; Holland; Europe Egypt; London; Netherlands; Scotland; Germany; Amsterdam; Saudi Arabia; Delhi; India; Indonesia; China Oxford; Cambridge Korea; Xuzhou California Jinja, Uganda; Africa; Lake Victoria; Nile River; Kenya; Britain; Wittenberg; Norway-America; Canada; Greece; Rome</i>	George Marshall
14	1 Peter 5:6–7	His Wounds; His Compassion; His Kingdom	Fiscal Policy and Spending; Bureaucracy; Crime, Punishment, and Litigation; The Bureaucracy: A Government at Work	<i>Afghanistan; Iraq; Israel; Florida; Minnesota; Hollywood; Los Angeles; Jerusalem; Bethany; Bombay (Mumbai); Orissa; Portland, Oregon; Alabama; Wheaton, Illinois; Australia; Hiroshima; Nagasaki; Japan; Babylon; Persia</i>	
15	1 Peter 5:8–9	His Truth; His Law; Evangelism	Campaigns and Elections; Political Participation and Voting; The Presidential Election Year: A Snapshot; The Primaries; The Conventions: Clinching the Nomination; The General Election; Election Day; Inauguration Day	<i>Switzerland; Russia; Jamaica; Italy; Ganges River; Allahabad;</i>	
16	Galatians 6:7–8	Evangelism; The Holy Spirit; The Church	Social and Environmental Policies; Political Philosophies	<i>Corinth; Denmark; Chattarpur; Jericho;</i>	

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17	Galatians 6:9–10	Hope; The Corruption and the Culture of the Cross	How Laws Are Created; Welcome to Congress; The House of Representatives; Scoping Out the Senate; Introducing a Bill; Meeting the Players, Setting the Schedule	<i>Bundelkhand; Red Sea; Romania; Bengal; Pakistan; Yamuna River; Himalayas; Dehrdadun; New Delhi; Hyderabad;</i>	
18	Proverbs 29:2; 29:12	The Corruption and the Culture of the Cross; From Worldview Programs to Kingdom Movement; Transform America	Conclusion; Interest Groups; The Media; Reaching the Floor and Beyond; Raising Revenues; Budgeting, Authorizing, and Appropriating Government Money; Putting Your Political Contributions to Work; Looking at Lobbying; Explaining Your Cause; Lobbying Members of Congress; Congressional Staff; Making the Most of the Media; Working with Various Media		