Subject: Insurance as required by law
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In reading Joe Brenneman's blog today,(pastor of current FA) the concern about government required insurance came up.(health insurance, in this case). I believe in obeying God in all things, and that includes being subject to the laws of the land...as long as they don't cause me to disobey God. This raises an issue with many christians who want to trust God for protection, safety, healing, life, employment, ect. Most insurances are optional, at this point, and we can chose not to purchase them. wheather life insurance, health insurance, disability insurance, workers comp insurance(although sometimes small business owners and self employed folks have to carry it for employees as well as liability, when required by law). But in many states auto insurance is a requirement, at least liability insurance. So what does a christian do? Don't own an automobile anymore and use public transportation? Disobey the law and drive without it and 'hope' you don't get pulled over and checked? Or obey the law and just not put your trust in the insurance as your protection?

I'm not setting myself up as the perfect example here, but I would like to share what, I believe, The Holy Spirit lead me to do, after prayer for wisdom and direction. When the state of Alabama pasted this law(I think around mid 1990's) I purchased auto insurance from the cheapest source(for me Geico)and just what was required by law, liability in X amount of coverage. Now that covers the obedience to the law of the land; so I continue to trust The Lord for protection as always, trusting in His promises and covering myself with The Blood of Jesus. He has protected me and I have never had an accident since putting my trust in Him in 1981, by His grace. But should he see fit to allow me be tried in that area, I wouldn't use the insurance.

I think that's what I would do should the government start requiring all citizens to purchase health insurance, I would do what's required to comply with the law, but not use it. Just continue to trust The Lord as my healer and health. We have to make ethical decisions daily, there's always conflicts between the principles Jesus taught for believers to follow, and the way the world functions and what the majority does. Will it cause those around us to roll their eyes and call us nuts? Probably,... who cares?

Any comments? thoughts? testimonies? Other views or opinions?