**Essay: All Men are Created Equal Assignment Instructions**

Overview

This essay requires you to demonstrate an understanding of equality that is consistent with a biblical worldview. This principle is enshrined in the Declaration of Independence which states that, “all men are created equal.” The government may not govern in a manner that creates a privileged class of persons or that targets a class of persons for discriminatory treatment. This principle is found in the Bible where God has commanded human governments not to show “partiality.” However, in order to abide by this principle, we must reclaim a biblical understanding of equality. Contrary to popular belief, equality is not “sameness.” Thus, we must examine our laws with a biblical lens to make sure that they conform to the equality principle of showing no partiality.

Instructions

Army Regulation 600-13 provides the following: “The Army’s assignment policy for female soldiers allows women to serve in any officer or enlisted specialty or position except in those specialties, positions, or units which are assigned a routine mission to engage in direct combat.” G.I. Jane, a recent graduate of Virginia Military Institute, has applied for an officer position in a unit that routinely engages in direct combat. Because Jane is female, her application is denied under AR 600-13. Discuss whether AR 600-13 violates the Biblical Equality Principle discussed in the course materials. Fully explain your position.

You will write a 3–5-page (double spaced) research-based paper in current Bluebook format that fully analyzes the above essay prompt. In your essay, you must include citations to at least 3 scholarly sources in addition to the course textbook and the Bible. Your citations should be placed in footnotes and you do not need a reference or bibliography page. You also do not need a cover page.

Note: Your assignment will be checked for originality via the Turnitin plagiarism tool.