

# SURRENDERED CLAY MINISTRIES PRIVACY POLICY

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## **Article 1 – Fundamental Principles:**

***Your privacy is critically important to us. At Surrendered Clay Ministries we have a few fundamental principles:***

- We don't ask you for personal information unless we truly need it.
- We don't share your personal information with anyone except to comply with the law or protect our rights.
- We don't store personal information on our servers unless required for the on-going operation of one of our services.
- We aim to make it as simple as possible for you to control what's visible to the public, seen by search engines, kept private, and permanently deleted.
- Unless you ask us not to, we may contact you in the future to tell you about specials, new products or services.

## **Article 2 – Website Visitors**

Like most website operators, Surrendered Clay Ministries collects **non**-personally-identifying information as typically made available by web browsers and servers, such as the browser type, language preference, referring site, and the date and time of each visitor request. Surrendered Clay Ministries' purpose in collecting **non**-personally identifying information is to better understand how Surrendered Clay Ministries' visitors use its website. From time to time, Surrendered Clay Ministries may release non-personally-identifying information in the aggregate, e.g., by publishing a report on trends in the usage of its website.

Surrendered Clay Ministries also collects potentially personally-identifying information like Internet Protocol (IP) addresses for logged in users and for users leaving comments. Surrendered Clay Ministries only discloses logged in user and commenter IP addresses under the same circumstances that it uses and discloses personally-identifying information as described below, except that blog commenter IP addresses are visible and disclosed to the administrators of the blog where the comment was left.

## **Article 3 – Gathering of Personally-Identifying Information**

Certain visitors to Surrendered Clay Ministries' website choose to interact with Surrendered Clay Ministries in ways that require the gathering of personally-identifying information. The amount and type of information gathered depends on the nature of the interaction. Those who engage in such transactions with Surrendered Clay Ministries are asked to provide additional information, including as necessary the personal and financial information required to process those transactions (e.g., scholarship applications). In each case, Surrendered Clay Ministries collects such information only insofar as is necessary or appropriate to fulfill the purpose of the visitor's interaction with Surrendered Clay Ministries. Surrendered Clay Ministries does not disclose personally-identifying information other than as described below. And visitors can always refuse to supply personally-identifying information, with the caveat that it may prevent them from engaging in certain website-related activities.

#### **Article 4 – Protection of Certain Personally-Identifying Information**

Surrendered Clay Ministries discloses potentially personally-identifying and personally-identifying information only to those of its employees, contractors and affiliated organizations that (i) need to know that information in order to process it on Surrendered Clay Ministries' behalf or to provide services available at Surrendered Clay Ministries' website, and (ii) that have agreed not to disclose it to others. Surrendered Clay Ministries' will not rent or sell potentially personally-identifying and personally-identifying information to anyone. Other than to its employees, contractors and affiliated organizations, as described above, Surrendered Clay Ministries discloses potentially personally-identifying and personally-identifying information only in response to a subpoena, court order or other governmental request, or when Surrendered Clay Ministries believes in good faith that disclosure is reasonably necessary to protect the property or rights of Surrendered Clay Ministries, third parties or the public at large. Surrendered Clay Ministries takes all measures reasonably necessary to protect against the unauthorized access, use, alteration or destruction of potentially personally-identifying and personally-identifying information.

#### **Article 5 – Security**

We take precautions to protect your information. When you submit sensitive information, we strive to protect your information both online and offline. Wherever we collect sensitive information such as credit card data, that information is encrypted and transmitted to us in a secure way. You can verify this by looking for a lock icon in the address bar and looking for "https" at the beginning of the address of the web page. We also strive to protect your information offline. Only those who need the information to service you are granted access and computers/servers are kept in a secure environment.

#### **Article 6 – Aggregated Statistics**

Surrendered Clay Ministries may collect statistics about the behavior of visitors to its website. For instance, Surrendered Clay Ministries may monitor powerful and impactful posts and may display this information publicly or provide it to others. However, Surrendered Clay Ministries does not disclose personally-identifying information other than as described below.

#### **Article 7 – Cookies**

A cookie is a string of information that a website stores on a visitor's computer, and that the visitor's browser provides to the website each time the visitor returns. Surrendered Clay Ministries uses cookies to help identify and track visitors, their usage of Surrendered Clay Ministries' website, and their website access preferences. Surrendered Clay Ministries' visitors who do not wish to have cookies placed on their computers should set their browsers to refuse cookies before using Surrendered Clay Ministries' website, with the drawback that certain features of Surrendered Clay Ministries' website may not function properly without the aid of cookies.

## **Article 8 – Business Transfers**

If Surrendered Clay Ministries, or substantially all of its assets were acquired, or in the unlikely event that Surrendered Clay Ministries goes out of business or enters bankruptcy, user information would be one of the assets that is transferred or acquired by a third party. You acknowledge that such transfers may occur, and that any acquirer of Surrendered Clay Ministries may continue to use your personal information as set forth in this policy.

## **Article 9 – Privacy Policy Changes**

Although changes maybe minor, Surrendered Clay Ministries may change its Privacy Policy from time to time, and in Surrendered Clay Ministries' sole discretion. Surrendered Clay Ministries encourages visitors to frequently check this page for any changes to its Privacy Policy. Your continued use of this site after any change in this Privacy Policy will constitute your acceptance of such change.

## **Article 10 – Links to Other Sites**

Our websites may contain links to other sites. Please be cautious and aware that we are not responsible for the content or privacy practices of such sites. We encourage our users to be aware when they leave our sites and to read the privacy statements of any other site that collects personally identifiable data.

***If you feel that we are not abiding by this privacy policy contact us immediately to let us know.***