

Passion Week—Question about Taxes (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 22:15–22	Mark 12:13–17	Luke 20:20–26
<p>15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted together how they might trap Him in what He said.</p> <p>16 And they sent their disciples to Him, along with the Herodians,</p> <p>saying, “Teacher, we know that You are truthful and teach the way of God in truth, and defer to no one; for You are not partial to any.</p> <p>17 Tell us then, what do You think? Is it lawful to give a poll-tax to Caesar, or not?”</p> <p>18 But Jesus perceived their malice, and said, “Why are you testing Me, you hypocrites?</p> <p>19 Show Me the coin <i>used</i> for the poll-tax.” And they brought Him a denarius.</p> <p>20 And He said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?”</p> <p>21 They said to Him, “Caesar’s.” Then He said to them, “Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s; and to God the things that are God’s.”</p> <p>22 And hearing <i>this</i>, they were amazed,</p>	<p>13 Then</p> <p>they sent some of the Pharisees and Herodians</p> <p>to Him in order to trap Him in a statement.</p> <p>14 They came and said to Him, “Teacher, we know that You are truthful and defer to no one; for You are not partial to any, but teach the way of God in truth.</p> <p>Is it lawful to pay a poll-tax to Caesar, or not?</p> <p>15 Shall we pay or shall we not pay?”</p> <p>But He, knowing their hypocrisy, said to them, “Why are you testing Me?</p> <p>Bring Me a denarius to look at.”</p> <p>16 They brought <i>one</i>. And He said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?”</p> <p>And they said to Him, “Caesar’s.”</p> <p>17 And Jesus said to them, “Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.”</p> <p>And they were amazed at Him.</p>	<p>20 So they watched Him, and sent spies</p> <p>who pretended to be righteous, in order that they might catch Him in some statement, so that they <i>could</i> deliver Him to the rule and the authority of the governor.</p> <p>21 They questioned Him, saying, “Teacher, we know that You speak and teach correctly, and You are not partial to any, but teach the way of God in truth.</p> <p>22 “Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?”</p> <p>23 But He detected their trickery and said to them,</p> <p>24 “Show Me a denarius.</p> <p>Whose likeness and inscription does it have?”</p> <p>They said, “Caesar’s.”</p> <p>25 And He said to them, “Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.”</p> <p>26 And they were unable to catch Him in a saying in the presence of the people; and being amazed at His answer,</p>

and leaving Him, they went away.		they became silent.
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