

18-February-2024 | Discussion Questions

Could Jesus Really Be above all Kings | Luke 20:19-26 | Pr. Wallace Ong

1. Read Luke 20:19-22

- a. Read the words that the spies spoke to Jesus. What is true in their words? What did they believe or not believe in what they said to and about Jesus? How were they being hypocritical?

- b. How does it make you feel to know that Jesus knows the motive of your heart? How should this fact impact the way that you come to God?

2. Read Luke 20:23-25 (Romans 13:1-7, 1 Timothy 2:1-4, 1 Peter 2:13-17)

- a. In light of Jesus' teaching vv23-25 and the other scriptures, what does it mean exactly to "give back to Caesar what is Caesar's"? How does that impact what we give to our government?

- b. How can we do that even when we might significantly disagree with the government of our country? (Consider: how does your situation compare with the Jews under Roman rule?)

- c. Connect Jesus' teaching and the other scriptures. Why is this important in the life of a believer?

3. The real heart of Jesus' response to the trick question of the spies was found in these powerful words: "[render] to God what is God's" (Luke 20:25b).

- a. What(who) has the image of God inscribed on it? What does it mean for us to give "to God what is God's"? Discuss the implications of this reality in your lives as a genuine Christian?
- b. If people don't give God what He deserves in their lives, then what are they doing to God? Why? Explain and discuss.
- c. Are there any things that you are struggling to give to God? Why?

4. Read Luke 20:19-26

- a. What can you learn from Jesus' reply? What is your understanding of Jesus being the King above all Kings from this reply?
- b. How can you apply what you have learned from this passage?
- c. What will you do in the coming week to apply a lesson from this passage?

Pray:

- Thanking God for all He gives us and committing to recognize it and to give to God all that belongs to Him in your lives.
- Pray to God to help us with the things that we are having trouble giving to God.