

message

The New Moses

CROSSROADS, THE GOSPEL OF LUKE PART 4 | LUKE 20:20-47

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*He said to them, "Then give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."
(Luke 20:25)*

Pharisees vs. Jesus Showdown (Luke 20:20-26)

Pharisees underestimate Jesus

Attempt to trap Jesus

The response of Jesus

The New Moses (Luke 20:27-40)

Sadducees joining forces in opposition of Jesus

Sadducees misunderstand eternal life

The response of Jesus

Jesus Turns the Table on Opposition (Luke 20:41-44)

Opposition denies the truth

The truth: Jesus is the Messiah

Jesus Teaches the Disciples (Luke 20:45-47)

A warning

A call

study guide

1. We continue the series "Crossroads" this week by looking at the interactions Jesus has with religious leaders in Luke 20:20-47. Begin your study in prayer, asking God to speak to you from His Word, and then read that passage aloud.
2. In Luke 20:20-21, we see that the Pharisees have spies in and around Jesus, even questioning Jesus. By sending spies, how might they have been underestimating Jesus? What is their goal in spying? How aware do you think Jesus was of this ploy?
3. The Pharisees attempt to trap Jesus by putting him in a no win situation. Have you ever found yourself in a situation that appears to be no win? How did you respond?
4. The response of Jesus in verses 23-25 is actually "good news" to people. What is valuable to Caesar? What is valuable to God? How can that be "good news" to us today?
5. In the next section, we see the Sadducees team up in opposition of Jesus? How do you react when you feel like people are teaming up against you? How is the reaction of Jesus different?
6. In verses 28-33, how do the Sadducees view eternal life? How does the response of Jesus give both hope and silence the opposition?
7. The people that oppose Jesus deny the truth that he is the son of God. How does denying that truth influence their actions in this story? What problems do we encounter when we deny God's truths?
8. Jesus ends this passage (verses 45-47) by warning his disciples and people close to him. How might that warning be important today?
9. What is the difference between living religiously and living righteously?
10. Identify one way that God is speaking to you personally through this study. If you're on your own, write it down and share it with someone later. If you are with a small group, share it with one another to end your group time.

reading plan

To encourage us together in our growth with God, we arranged a daily reading plan through this series. As you read each day, ask God to speak to you from His word.

Sunday, March 26	Luke 20:27-40
Monday, March 27	Luke 20:41-44
Tuesday, March 28	Psalm 110:1-4
Wednesday, March 29	Mark 12:28-34
Thursday, March 30	Luke 20:45-47
Friday, March 31	Matthew 23:1-12
Saturday, April 1	Luke 21:1-4

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