Sunday Worship

MESSAGE of the Messiah

The Gospel of Mark

God or Caesar? Mark 12:13-17

February 12, 2023

In our passage today we will see how the religious leaders attempt to trap Jesus with a question about both religion and politics. We'll see how Jesus answers this question. Jesus will point out how these are not two contradictory institutions, but both are governed by God's sovereignty. God has placed a civil government in authority over us. We can take comfort in the fact that they have been appointed by God for his purposes!



Order Of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Songs of Praise

Build My Life
All the Saints (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #12

Q. According to God's righteous judgment we deserve punishment both now and in eternity: how then can we escape this punishment and return to God's favor?

A. God requires that his justice be satisfied. Therefore the claims of this justice must be paid in full, either by ourselves or by another.

Offering

Song of Declaration

Holy Forever

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus, I sin — Grant that I may never cease grieving because of it, never be content with myself,

never think I can reach, a point of perfection. Kill my envy, command my tongue, trample down self. Give me grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable, to live for thee and nor for self, to be transformed into thy likeness, to live entirely to thy glory. Deliver me from attachment to things unclean, from wrong associations, from the predominance of evil passions, from the sugar of sin as well as its gall, that with self-loathing, deep contrition, earnest heart searching I may come to you, trust in you, cry to you, and be delivered by you.

Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:7-9

Children's Message

Sermon

God or Caesar? Mark 12:13-17

Pastor James Brignac

Song of Response

The Blessing

Benediction

Sermon Notes

Dilemma

Which two groups are present in this passage? What makes them distinct?

Mark 3:6

How could the answer of Jesus cause issues with the Jews or Rome?

Why does Jesus use a coin to make his point?

Mark 12:17

Belonging to Caesar

How do Jesus (and the rest of the Bible) legitimize government?

Romans 13:1

What are 3 ways we should respond to civil government?

Should we always submit to our civil government?

so long as we have liberty to worship God in christ, according to our conscience, and to serve Him in the way of His commandments, we may safely submit to many requirements of the state, which in our own private opinion we do not thoroughly approve. – J.C. Ryle

Belonging to God

What reality is made clear in Romans 11:36?

What is important to note about the language Jesus uses?

Colossians 3:23-24

What is the importance of understanding the idea of two kingdoms?

Announcements



Men's Top Golf Outing February 25, 2023 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM



Sunday, February 19, 2023 2:00 - 4:30 PM At Waypoint Church

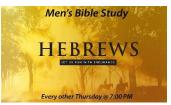
Open to anybody interested in joining Waypoint, or even for those who just want to learn more.



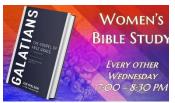
Sunday Evenings 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM At Waypoint Church



Multiple groups are available. Contact Pastor James to get connected



Next Men's Bible Study Thursday, February 23th, 2023 7:00 PM At Waypoint Church



Next Women's Bible Study Wednesday, February 22th, 2023 7:00 PM At Waypoint Church

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why are religion and politics two topics most consider "off limits?"
- 2. How should we respond to government leaders/officials we disagree with or believe are not serving well?
- 3. Read Romans 13:1. How does this verse give us confidence in submitting to civil government?
- 4. Is civil disobedience an appropriate response for Christians? If so, in what circumstances?
- 5. Is it comforting to know Jesus is ruling and reigning at the right hand of God in heaven? Why or why not?
- 6. How has God been working in your life recently?