Journey Through Mark: Disrupters

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I.]	In The World	
	Key Truth: Wield The Truth	
II.]	Paying Taxes To Caesar	Mark 12:13-17
	13	Frenemies
	14-15a	Trap
	15b-16	Repudiation
	17	Rightful Obligation

III. Influencers

Mid-Week Devotion (Take time to pray & respond to the following)

Isolationism, as an ongoing practice, is not Biblical. People were created to be in community and God commands His people to regularly gather for worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and evangelism.

Christians are also expected to engage with the world outside the Church. Followers of Christ should be disrupters—people of virtue who contribute to society for the betterment of mankind. Wherever there is suffering, injustice, and ignorance, Believers should be working to oppose evil and shine light in the darkness.

Wherever you go in the world, wield the truth. Not as a weapon for harm but as a life-saving tool for rescue. Wield it in love, in strength, and courage. Wield it for God's glory so that unbelievers may be drawn to their Savior and rescued from Hell.

The fallen state of the world and our own sinful condition make it difficult at times to be the men and women we ought to be. In what ways are you presently struggling to fulfill the rightful obligations in your life? Are you in any way falling short in your duty to "render to Caesar" or "render to God?"

Prayerfully consider the dual roles you hold as a permanent citizen of God's eternal Kingdom (if you have received Christ) and as a temporary citizen of this passing, earthly kingdom. Ask God to help you perceive the present opportunities you have to be a witness and influencer in the world for His glory. Express thanksgiving to God for the security and hope that you get to enjoy because of His love & grace.