

SERMON GUIDE

JESUS & CAESAR

Mark 12:13-17

Pastor | Tim Prince

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SERMON NOTES

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE (Year 2, Week 25)

Titus 2:13-14 (Gospel)

13 waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read

Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you

Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

Prayers that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

Conversation Questions

Getting to Know Me: Have you ever been surprised by unexpected evidence or proof of something you didn't believe? How did that experience affect your perspective and what did you learn?

Read Mark 12:13-17

- S** What do you love most about what you just read? What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read these scriptures? Is anything jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O** What do you think the Herodians and Pharisees were trying to do when they came to Jesus with their question? Can you think of any modern examples of this happening with Jesus today?
- O** What do you think of Jesus' response? What can we learn about Jesus' politics from this story?
- O** What do you think Jesus is asserting about himself over and against Tiberius Ceasar (who's image and inscription were on the coin)?
- A** If you were with the church on Sunday, Pastor Prince asserted that in his response, Jesus was resisting:
 - Political Simplicity
 - Political Complacency
 - Political PrimacyDid any of these resonate with you? Which is most challenging to your right now? Why?
- A** Are you tempted to be overly simplistic in your political views, overly complacent or cynical in your political views, or to place too much value on the power of political answers? How? What would faith in revolution of Jesus look like for you right now?
- A** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- P** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.