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We are not the people who should be upset and hiding at the threats of Goliath. Trembling at the sight of Pharaoh’s army. NO! See through the lies and plant yourself firmly on the Name of the Lord. Know in whom you have believed and that HE IS ABLE!”

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3) **Move in the** _____ **of distinguishing between spirits**

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4) **Embrace the** _____, **and the** _____

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Discussion Questions:
(For your Life Group or Personal Study)

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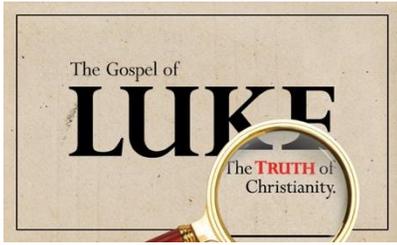
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4) **Read Luke 20:22-23.** What do you think the teachers were hoping Jesus would say in answer to their question?

5) **Read Luke 20:25.** What does Jesus mean by this response? What is Caesar’s? What is God’s?

Look at John 18:36-37, Romans 13:1-7, Acts 4:7-20.

6) **Read Luke 20:20 again.** What kind of authority do the teachers rest on in their hope to trap Jesus? Ultimately, did this kind of authority overcome Jesus? **Look at Matthew 28:18, Colossians 1:15-18.**



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