Bible Discussion

Read Mark 12:13-17

- Read the words that the Herodians and Pharisees spoke to Jesus. What is true in their words? What did they believe or not believe in what they said to and about Jesus? How were they being hypocritical? What were they trying to get Jesus to do?
- Do you ever come to God with hidden motives? Do you ever try to hide your motives from others? Why? How does it make you feel to know that Jesus knows the motive of your heart? How should this fact impact the way that you come to God with your words?
- Read Romans 13:1-7. Discuss how these verses connect to the words of Jesus in Mark 12. What are the implications of these words for your lives and/or for the church? How should these truths from God's Word impact the way that Christians engage in politics and political change?

Go Deeper

- What has the image of God inscribed on it? Discuss the implications of this reality in your lives.
- If people don't give God what He deserves in their lives, then what are they doing to God, or what are you indicating you think about God?
- Make a list of the things that belong to God in your lives. From the list, are there any things that you are struggling to give to God?

