

## **The King greater than Caesar (Luke 20:20-26)**

Smart-alecks

Today: expose & teach

### **1. The Crafty Conundrum**

Their intention (v.19)

The sting operation (v.20)

The setup (v.21-22)

- What if Jesus says Yes?

***Then Jesus better be prepared for...***

- What if Jesus says No?

***Then Jesus better be prepared for...***

Game over, Jesus (?)

### **2. The Remarkable Reply**

“Show me a denarius”

“Give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s”

Give back “to God what is God’s”

Follow the logic!

### **3. The Inescapable Implications**

- i. We should respect legitimate human authority that God has put in place.
- ii. We should submit ultimately to divine authority.
- iii. We should submit therefore to our good King Jesus, and not try to outsmart him.