## **Trying to Trap Jesus**

Mark 12:13-17 (series #63)

Intro: the tendency to reject truth that confronts us - Galatians 4:16

- I. The Scheming Plan of the 2 Groups vv. 13-15a
  - A. The attempt to trap Jesus in His talk v. 13
  - B. The unusual mixing of the 2 groups v. 13
  - C. The political/religious question v. 14-15a
- II. The Response from Jesus vv. 15b-17a
  - A. Jesus knew their wickedness v. 15b
  - B. He pointed out the coin's image v. 16
  - C. He taught them to pay their taxes v. 17 1st Peter 2:13-15
  - D. He told them to love and honor God v. 17
- III. The Silencing of the Critics v. 17b
  - A. They marveled as Jesus' answer
  - B. They walked away without changing

**Conclusion**: What do you need to change to honor God?