## **God and Government**

Matthew 22:15-22 (series #122)

Intro: the tendency to reject truth that confronts usGalatians 4:16

- I. The Scheming Plan of the 2 Groups vv. 15-17
  - A. The attempt to trap Jesus in His talk v. 15
  - B. The unusual mixing of the 2 groups v. 16
  - C. The political/religious question v. 17
- II. The Response from Jesus vv. 18-21
  - A. Jesus knew their wickedness v. 18
  - B. He pointed out the coin's image vv. 19-20
  - C. He taught them to pay their taxes v. 21a 1st Peter 2:13-15
  - D. He told them to love and honor God v. 21b
- III. The Silencing of the Critics v. 22
  - A. They marveled as Jesus' answer
  - B. They walked away without changing

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