

Luke 20:20-26 – Bible Study

Read:

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(If you are leading, you might like to also look at Matthew 22 – a parallel passage – before the meeting).

General question:

What stands out to you from this passage?

Further questions:

A question that points to hypocrisy (v20-22)

1. What do you do when Jesus speaks words that challenge you? When was the last time you felt him challenge you?
2. A sensitive question... Where are you tempted, or in what areas do you struggle, and allow yourself to put on a “face” rather than show people the real you?
3. Do you find it easy to be honest with God?
4. Can you think of areas where you have compromised with the world? How can we change?

An answer that points to God (v23-25)

1. We are made in the image of God – we bear God’s image. How does this affect how we view one another, even those we find difficult?
2. Discuss the ‘Greatest Commandment’: “*Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.*” What does it mean for you today?
3. In what ways do you struggle to give God your all?
4. The Hymn ‘When I Survey the Wonderful Cross’ end with the words “A love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.” How is Jesus asking you to give him your all, in your current season of life?

They went away in silence (v26)

1. In what ways do you need to contemplate afresh who Jesus is?
2. How have you personally found silence helpful as you pray?

Response

- Perhaps spend some time in silence before God.
- Use a song, played in the background, to draw near to God and contemplate his call to give yourselves fully to him.