

Five-Minute Finances – Paying Taxes



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Prayer

Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as you begin reading passages of Scripture. Ask for clarity and insight as you engage in God's word.



Scripture Reading- Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. ¹⁶ And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹ They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.



Observation

1. What do these verses say about...

The Pharisees and Herodians?

Taxes?

Jesus?



Interpretation

2. Of all the questions the Pharisees and Herodians could ask, why do you think they chose a question on taxes?
3. How have you seen taxes impact you or others on your financial journey?



Application

4. How can you apply the principles of this passage to your financial journey?



Continue your Journey

Financial discipleship is more than getting on a budget, getting out of debt or having your financial house in order. Financial discipleship is about helping people follow Jesus, make disciples and glorify God in the area of money and possessions.

If you would like to continue growing on your financial discipleship journey, or help others grow on theirs, we'd encourage you to participate in or lead a Compass study. Go to compassfinancialministry.org to get started today!

Thanks for taking the time to go through this devotional! We pray the Lord would draw you ever closer to Him as you continue on your financial discipleship journey!