

THE KING AND I



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MATTHEW 22:15-22 (NIV)

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. ¹⁶ They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. “Teacher,” they said, “we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren’t swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. ¹⁷ Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?” ¹⁸ But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, “You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me?”

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¹⁹ Show me the coin used for paying the tax.” They brought him a denarius, ²⁰ and he asked them, “Whose image is this? And whose inscription?” ²¹ “Caesar’s,” they replied. Then he said to them, “So give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.” ²² When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.



JESUS' OPPONENTS TRIED TO TRAP HIM



JESUS NEATLY AVOIDED THE TRAP



IMPLICATIONS



GIVE TO OUR GOVERNMENT WHAT
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PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS

1 TIMOTHY 2:1-2 (NIV)

2 I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—² for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

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SUBMIT TO OUR GOVERNMENT

ROMANS 13:1 (NIV)

13 Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.



DANIEL 2:21 (NIV)

²¹ He changes times and seasons; he deposes kings and raises up others. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning.



ACTS 4:19-20 (NIV)

¹⁹ But Peter and John replied, “Which is right in God’s eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! ²⁰ As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.”

ROMANS 13:8 (NIV)

⁸ Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.



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PAY YOUR TAXES

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GIVE TO GOD WHAT BELONGS TO HIM

JOHN 18:37 (NIV)

³⁷ “You are a king, then!” said Pilate. Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

COLOSSIANS 1:13 (NIV)

¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,



REVELATION 19:16 (NIV)

¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.



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