



LUKE

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Read either before your small group or all together at the start.

1. Take a look at Luke 20:1-19 and refresh yourself on the parable Jesus tells. Jesus is rebuking the religious leaders in this parable who seem to function more like the evil tenants trying to usurp the authority of God in their lives. Are there areas of your life where it can be tempting to want to take back control or resist obedience and accountability to God?
2. In Luke 20:20-26, Jesus gives a simple object lesson to illustrate the idea that everything we have in life belongs to God. Chrissy talked about the idea that we can't compartmentalize our faith into just one day or one area of our lives. What would it look like to allow your faith to affect all the areas of your life? Can you see any areas where you've had a tendency to want to compartmentalize it?
3. Throughout Luke 20 the religious leaders attempted to trip Jesus up and at times they attempted to use Scripture to do this. Jesus pointed out that they didn't even have enough understanding of Scripture if they did they wouldn't be attacking him like this. Chrissy gave the example from Francis Chan about the mom who asks the kid to clean the room and the kid goes on to discuss it in various ways without obeying. In what ways do we do this with the Bible? What can we do to be more intentional to put it into practice in our lives?
4. Jesus further rebuked the religion leaders for not understanding what they believed enough to recognise Jesus as Messiah (v. 41-44). Take a look at 1 Peter 3:15. What do you think this verse means? What would it look like for your to be able to "give an account"?
5. Jesus ends this chapter with a stinging rebuke of the religious leaders who were challenging them throughout. He essentially holds them up of an example for his disciples of how NOT to lead. What does that teach you about the kind of leaders God calls us to be? What does it look like to be discerning about the leaders you choose to follow or listen to?