

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Study Questions

**Study Aid for the Sermon from October 8, 2017
The Tax Trap
Mark 12:13-17**

Observing the text

What can we learn about the Pharisees from Mark's gospel?

What can we learn about the Herodians from Mark's gospel?

What is the significance of these two groups joining together against Jesus?

Why did they ask Jesus about paying taxes to Caesar?

How did Jesus see through their hypocrisy?

Applying the sermon

What was it about Jesus' response that made it a perfect response to these Pharisees and Herodians?

How should Jesus' words impact your view of government?

Why is it important for Christians to understand God's view of government?

What else does God's Word say about government (Romans 13:1-7; 1 Peter 2:13-17)?

What other responsibilities do Christians have toward their government based upon 1 Timothy 2:1-7?