



First Baptist Church of Cypress
THE JESUS REVOLUTION
Mark 12:13-27

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Hello, we are so glad you are continuing to gather with us online. The Jesus Movement was “the last great spiritual awakening in American History in the early 70’s. It impacted the world and the church. This is when contemporary Christian music and contemporary worship started. A more casual approach to how people dress and making things more accessible is a direct reflection of the Jesus Revolution. People were praying, God heard our prayers and answered them. He turned a generation around. A subtitle of Greg Laurie’s book Jesus Revolution quotes “How God transforms an unlikely generation and how he can do it again”. I don’t know about you but I want to see a transformation in our community, county, and country.

What’s amazing is that Jesus was dealing with an unlikely generation with the Jewish religious leaders who are hoping to trap Jesus as leader of a violent, rebellious movement. Jesus will be leading a movement, but it will be a redemptive movement not a rebellious movement. How they try to set Jesus up is bringing up one of the most important issues the people have... the controversial issue of paying taxes to Rome.

READ, Mark 12:13-27

*“And they sent to him some of the Pharisees and some of the Herodians, to trap him in his talk. **14** And they came and said to him, “Teacher, we know that you are true and do not care about anyone’s opinion. For you are not swayed by appearances, but truly teach the way of God. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not? Should we pay them, or should we not?” **15** But, knowing their hypocrisy, he said to them, “Why put me to the test? Bring me a denarius and let me look at it.” **16** And they brought one. And he said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” They said to him, “Caesar’s.” **17** Jesus said to them, “Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” And they marveled at him. **18** And Sadducees came to him, who say that there is no resurrection. And they asked him a question, saying, **19** “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies and leaves a wife, but leaves no child, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. **20** There were seven brothers; the first took a wife, and when he died left no offspring. **21** And the second took her, and died, leaving no offspring. And the third likewise.*

22 And the seven left no offspring. Last of all the woman also died. **23** In the resurrection, when they rise again, whose wife will she be? For the seven had her as wife."

24 Jesus said to them, "Is this not the reason you are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God? **25** For when they rise from the dead, they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. **26** And as for the dead being raised, have you not read in the book of Moses, in the passage about the bush, how God spoke to him, saying, 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? **27** He is not God of the dead, but of the living. You are quite wrong."

1. Jesus Revolutionizes IDENTITY & REASON. (v 16-17)

- CAESAR'S image is stamped on the COIN.
- GOD'S image is stamped on the PERSON.

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."**27** So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." **Genesis 1:26-27**

2. Jesus Revolutionizes AUTHORITY & MORALITY. (v 16-17)

- ALL things belong to God - including the realm in which ANY earthly ruler exercises AUTHORITY.
- Christians have a RESPONSIBILITY to appropriately SUBMIT to governing AUTHORITIES.

3. Jesus Revolutionizes a Person's DESTINY. (v 18-27)

- The Sadducees lived in the MOMENT; there is NOTHING else.
- The Sadducees did NOT believe in the RESURRECTION of Life.

A few things we learn about a believer's destiny:

- There is NO MARRIAGE in heaven
- Believers will be LIKE angels, not BECOME angels
- Believers experience ETERNAL fellowship with GOD
- The RESURRECTION is grounded in the PERSON of the living and life-giving God.

JESUS can revolutionize our country, our world and you! Only God can give your life identity, reason, authority and morality and ultimately destiny.