



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

January 29, 2023
Luke 20:1-26
“Christ and Controversy”

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

1. What were the 3 unique situations from Luke 20:1-26 that Jesus addresses? Why are the stories and scenarios that Jesus discusses controversial?
2. All of these conflicts involve the subject of Jesus's authority. What examples of this authority have we seen throughout the book of Luke? What are some competing authorities in your life that are vying for your obedience and faithfulness?
3. In reference to Christ being our "cornerstone" in the parable of the wicked tenants, Tony said, "If you get Jesus wrong, then you get yourself wrong, you get community wrong, and you get meaning wrong." What are some other things that you are personally tempted to build your life on as your "cornerstone"? How does this lead to a disordered life?
4. Through each of these scenarios, we see the Pharisees' frustration and speechlessness. These were very intellectual, pious men, so what could be causing them to respond this way? What are some ways you identify with the Pharisees here?
5. What are ways we as Christians can engage with the world while being obedient to Scripture? How does this way of approaching earthly authority help us to better care for the people in our communities who are different from us (politically, economically, socially, racially, etc.)?
6. We have spent the month of January thinking through and about our church covenant. If you haven't already, read/finish reading the covenant in its entirety. In preparation for renewal, which section of the church covenant are you most encouraged by? Which section of the church covenant are you most challenged by? What is one emphasis in the covenant that we (as a growth group) can commit to working on this year?