

## Matthew 22      **Hard Questions**

Main Service

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Companion O.T. Text - **1 Kings 10:1-3**

### I. The Herodians - A Political Question v 15 - 22

- v 15 their method : *took counsel* ~ committees, councils,  
their design : *entangle* Jesus in his words ~ to find contradictions in AV
- v 16 " narrative : a mixture of some truth, leavened with error
- v 17 their question : designed to trap with a "yes-no" / "either-or" answer
- v 18 *wickedness* - *hypocrisy* (Mk 12:15) - *craftiness* (Lk 20:23)

### II. The Sadducees - A Philosophical Question v 23 - 33

- v 23 their M.O. : subtraction from God's word, **Deu 4:2, Rev 22:19**  
& unbelief, **Acts 23:8**
- v 24-28 their question : an imaginary, exaggerated, hypothetical, unlikely situation  
leading the listener away from absolute truth and into 'situational-ethics'.
- v 29 Jesus Rebuke : *Ye do greatly err* (Mark 12:27)

### III. The Pharisees - A Religious Question v 34 -40

- Historically, their M.O. : Adding to God's word, **Matt 15:3 & 9**
- v 37 - 40 Jesus Reply = "The Shema" **Deuteronomy 6:4-5**  
**Romans 14:9-10, James 1:27**

Practical Lesson - **Titus 3:9-11**

### IV. The Lord - The Spiritual Question v 41 - 46

- v 42 *What think ye of Christ ?* ~ **Matt 27:22**
- v 43-44 **Psalm 110:1**
- v 46 **Luke 21:15      Psalm 63:11      Romans 3:19**