

## TAXES

**Mat 17:24-27** — And when they had come to Capernaum, those who received the temple tax came to Peter and said, “Does your Teacher not pay the temple TAX?” He said, “Yes.” And when he had come into the house, Jesus anticipated him, saying, “What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth take customs or taxes, from their own sons or from strangers?” Peter said to Him, “From strangers.” Jesus said to him, “Then the sons are free. Nevertheless, lest we offend them, go to the sea, cast in a hook, and take the fish that comes up first. And when you have opened its mouth, you will find a piece of money; take that and give it to them for Me and you.”

**Mat 22:17-21** — “Tell us, therefore, what do You think? *Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?*” But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, “Why do you test Me, you hypocrites? **SHOW ME THE TAX MONEY.**” So they brought Him a denarius. And He said to them, “*Whose image and inscription is this?*” **THEY SAID TO HIM, “CAESAR’S.”** And He said to them, “*Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.*”

**Rom 13:3-7** — ...rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the AUTHORITY? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. For he is God’s minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God’s minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. Therefore **YOU MUST BE SUBJECT, NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF WRATH BUT ALSO FOR CONSCIENCE’ SAKE.** *For because of this you also pay taxes,* for they are God’s ministers attending continually to this very thing. **RENDER THEREFORE TO ALL THEIR DUE: TAXES TO WHOM TAXES ARE**

DUE, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor  
to whom honor.