Jesus Has an Answer to Every Question (Luke 20:20-40)

Jesus in His Words 1. The Leaders Seek to ¹⁹ And the chief priests and the scribes that very hour sought to lay hands on Him, but they feared the people¹-- for they knew He had spoken this parable against them. ²⁰ So they watched *Him*, and sent spies who pretended to be righteous, that they might seize on His words, in order to deliver Him to the power and the authority of the governor. a. They watched him b. They sent spies To seize on His words d. To deliver Him to leaders 2. The First Attempt by Pharisees a. They seek to flatter Jesus ²¹ Then they asked Him, saying, "Teacher, we know that You say and teach rightly, and You do not show personal favoritism, but teach the way of God in truth: b. They seek to trap Jesus with a question ²² "Is it lawful for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" • A "catch-22" question (they think) c. Jesus responds with an lesson He perceives their intent ²³ But He perceived their craftiness, and said to them, "Why do you test Me? He asks for someone to display a coin ²⁴ "Show Me a denarius. He asks the question Whose image and inscription does it have?" They respond They answered and said, "Caesar's." He answers the question ²⁵ And He said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." d. The first attempt ²⁶ But they could not catch Him in His words in the presence of the people. And they marveled at His answer and kept silent. They found nothing They marveled They became silent

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3. The Second Attempt by Sadducees 27 Then some of the Sadducees, who deny that there is a resurrection, came to <i>Him</i> and asked Him, ²⁸ saying:	
a.	They seek to trap Jesus with a question
b.	They review a biblical instruction "Teacher, Moses wrote to us <i>that</i> if a man's brother dies, having a wife, and he dies without children, his brother should take his wife and raise up offspring for his brother.
c.	They present Jesus with a hypothetical scenario ²⁹ "Now there were seven brothers. And the first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰ "And the second¹ took her as wife, and he died childless. ³¹ "Then the third took her, and in like manner the seven also; and they left no children¹, and died. ³² "Last of all the woman died also.
d.	They ask their fatal question (they think) 33 "Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife does she become? For all seven had her as wife."
e.	Jesus responds by explaining the nature of marriage
	• Marriage is for those in
	• There is no or in the next age ³⁵ "But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; ³⁶ "nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.
f.	Jesus proves resurrection from the calling of Moses 37 "But even Moses showed in the burning bush passage that the dead are raised, when he called the Lord `the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.'
	• God is still God to those who have the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob¹.'
	God is not God of dead ones, butones For He is not the God of the dead but of the living,
	All to God are for all live to Him."

g. Some affirm Jesus' response

 $^{\rm 39}$ Then some of the scribes answered and said, "Teacher, You have spoken well."

h. They stop asking questions

⁴⁰ But after that they dared not question Him anymore.