

Matthew 22v34-46

1. Where are you tempted to minimise the call of discipleship and God's word and why?

2. How has Jesus challenged the religious leaders understanding of the Bible so far in v15-33?

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3. What is the next question they ask him and why is it dangerous for Jesus?

4. What is Jesus answer and what is the context behind that answer (Deut 6v5)?

5. How does Jesus expand the question and what does he mean?

6. How does this cut through debates about what 'we have to do' or 'what laws we have to keep'?

7. (v41-45) How does Jesus explode their limited views of the Messiah and what do we learn about the Messiah from Psalm 110?

8. How does our society minimise Jesus? How does that lead us to minimise Jesus and what's the impact of that?

9. How does this passage challenge our view of God's word, especially the Old Testament?

10. Jesus doesn't update scripture to fit the society of his day. But he does apply it in all its scope and glory to life. Where do you feel the pressure not to do that and why?

11. How does seeing afresh who Jesus is encourage you? What ought that to lead to in our lives this week?