

The Coin That Reveals the Heart

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“Caesar’s,” they replied.

²⁵ He said to them, “Then give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.”

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right now?**

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intent, said, “You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me?”

(Matthew 22:18)

¹⁵ ... But Jesus knew their hypocrisy.

“Why are you trying to trap me?”

(Mark 12:15)

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²⁶ Then God said, “**Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness**, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

Genesis 1:26

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¹⁹ Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? **You are not your own; ²⁰ you were bought at a price.** Therefore honor God with your bodies.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

²³ **You were bought at a price;** do not become slaves of human beings.

1 Corinthians 7:23

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²⁹ “The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.’³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’³¹ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

Mark 12:29-31

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¹² And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul,

Deuteronomy 10:12

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or the coin's image?**



