



Jesus is not afraid of your questions. He has not promised to provide answers to all of your questions but he is certainly not perplexed by them.

Do you ask questions of God with an inquisitive heart or an accusative heart?

Q1: To whom do my things belong? (v.15-22)

A1: Give to God everything that belongs to Him.

Jesus' answer did not fuel a political revolt nor did it ignore the political process as part of God's control.

Are you a good citizen of our your local, state, and federal government? Do you pay your taxes, obey laws, and vote in elections? Why or why not?

Are you a good citizen in the kingdom of Heaven? Do you pay your tithes, obey God's laws, and pray for God's will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven?

Read Genesis 1:27. Whose image is stamped on you? Is there anything in your bank account that belongs to God? What will you do this week to get everything that belongs to God in his possession?

Q2: Is there life after death? (v.23-33)

A2: God makes dead things live.

The Sadducees did not believe in life after death because they did not accept portions of scripture as inspired by God. Do you believe the entire bible as God's infallible, authoritative revelations of himself?

Do you ever doubt what the bible teaches about life after death?

How does a belief in life after death change your perspective on life before death?

God specializes in bringing dead things to life. Can you name something in your life that appears dead? (Devotion, Relationship, Church, Nation, Hope, etc.) Do you have faith that God can bring it back to life?

Q3: What is the one thing God always approves of? (v.34-40)

A3: Love God. Love people.

How will you use your heart to love God this week?

How will you use your soul to love God this week?

How will you use your mind to love God this week?

What other loves compete for your heart, soul, and mind?

Name three "neighbors" you will love this week? How?





DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Which “neighbors” are hardest for you to love? Why?

Have you been so focused on obeying external commandments that you have bypassed the heart of all God commands?

Q4: What do you think of Christ? (v.41-46)

A4: Jesus is Savior and Lord.

Too many want to think of Jesus as their Savior without considering the demands that his Lordship places on every area of their lives. What area of your life are you living outside of the authority of Jesus?

What comfort does it bring to you to know that what Jesus is Lord he promises to put your enemies under your feet? Are you fighting your battles alone because you refuse to submit to Jesus as Lord in every area?

Additional Scripture

Romans 13:6-7

1 Peter 2:13-17

Genesis 1:27

John 11:25-26

Romans 14:9

Exodus 3:6

1 John 5:2-5

Luke 2:11

Acts 2:36

Acts 10:36

Romans 16:20

