



MATTHEW

The Prophecy Fulfilled



Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's...

Sadducees are up next



- Pharisees leave “marveled” ~ vs. 22
- Religious of every faction aligned against Jesus
 - A fictitious story of Levirate marriage... (Dt 25)
 - You don’t understand Scripture or God’s power!!!
 - Marriage is not needed in heaven ~ “till death...”
 - Real issue... God of the living!!! Astonished!

The third attack...



- If they failed, Jesus would bring the threat of Rome...
- Money, Marriage... one more try, the Jewish elite...
 - Testing Him (35) *peirazo*, to tempt, prove
 - Which is the Greatest...???
 - Dt. 6:4; 10:12; 30:6 - “You shall” - not the negatives, but what should be a daily choice and attitude, love - *agapao*

Loving God



- Can we do this? How??
 - Heart ~ affections, passions
 - Soul ~ consciousness and being
 - Mind ~ thoughts, focus
 - Note: none of these is physical in nature... our relationship with that, is a relationship, not a religion of "doing"

2nd place...



- The question did not require this...
- You shall love you neighbor as yourself - Lev 19:18
 - This one also requires thought
 - Jn 13:34,35; 1 Jn 4:19-21
 - Religious things enslave and create judgment and criticism
 - Love is the answer and fulfillment of the law Rom 13:8-10

The whole Law



- Depends, hangs ~ used of one on the cross
 - All their oral law and traditions, as well as Moses
 - Who could say this???
 - This shook them up!
 - Relationships are always the best way to God
 - This is why the church is a “body”...