

Life Group Questions: Resolute: A Focused Study of Luke / 2.12.23 /  
Title: **Who is in charge?**  
Luke 20

### **Dinner Table Questions**

In Luke 20:41-44, Jesus tells a riddle about himself. Here are a few riddles to get your conversation going:

1. What is cut on a table, but is never eaten? **Answer:** A deck of cards
2. What has words, but never speaks? **Answer:** A book
3. What runs all around a backyard, yet never moves? **Answer:** A fence
4. What can travel all around the world without leaving its corner? **Answer:** A stamp

*You may ask the group if they know any riddles!*

### **Open Bible Questions**

Look over Luke 20, particularly the section headings. These stories are all concerning the validity of Jesus of Nazareth's ministry. How do the religious leaders in each of these stories attempt to undermine Jesus?

The Authority of Jesus Questions (Luke 20:1-8)  
The Parable of the Tenants (Luke 20:9-17)  
Paying Taxes to Caesar (Luke 20:20-26)  
The Resurrection and Marriage (Luke 20:27-40)

These stories are full of questions from Jesus' skeptics and critics. Each of the sections end with the leaders reacting to Jesus' responses. What are some of their reactions?

### **Read Luke 20:41-44 together**

After the Pharisees and Sadducees attempted to trap Jesus with questions, Jesus asks his own question concerning King David and the Messiah. Why do you think that this question is significant?

In reading Luke 20 and the challenge of Jesus' authority, where do you see this story playing itself out in 2023? Where are the places in our world are people tempted to challenge or ignore the power and position of Jesus in our own life? Why do we reject Christ's lordship?

### **Monday Morning Questions**

If Messiah Jesus is who he says he is (The Lord), what authority does he have over the details of our life? What is one feature of my day tomorrow that needs to be yielded to the King Jesus' authority? What is something in my life that I need to renounce that carries too much authority?