

¹The Pharisees got together with Herod's followers.



²Then they sent some men to trick Jesus into saying something wrong.



³They went to him and said, "Teacher, we know that you are honest.



⁴You treat everyone with the same respect, no matter who they are.



⁵And you teach the truth about what God wants people to do.



⁶Tell us, should we pay taxes to the Emperor or not?"

⁷Jesus knew what they were up to,



⁸ and he said, "Why are you trying to test me? Show me a coin!"



⁹They brought him a silver coin,



¹⁰and he asked, "Whose picture and name are on it?"



¹¹"The Emperor's," they answered



¹²Then Jesus told them, "Give the Emperor what belongs to him and give God what belongs to God."



¹³The men were amazed at Jesus.

