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Matthew 17:22-27

1. This passage raises many questions. What is the immediate question that comes to your mind?
2. Are there any questions raised in Q1 which are not addressed in the sermon? Are there questions you would like more background and information on? Your group leader can feed these back to Chris and answers will be provided at your next meeting .
3. Why did Jesus tell the story of the King's family being exempt from tax?
4. Why do you think it was wise for Jesus to pay the temple tax when he could claim an exemption as a Rabbi?
5. Why do you think it was wise for Jesus to not expose the corruption of the Temple at this time but wait until Jerusalem?
6. [An extension question for those who would like to have a go.] Wisdom for the Apostle Paul was '*faith in Christ expressing itself through love*' Galatians 5:6. How did this principle allow Paul to circumcise Timothy but insist the Galatians were not to be circumcised?
7. Does your witness for Christ tend to be too bold or too timid? What does praying for wisdom to be a good witness to Christ mean for you?
8. Is there anything happening in your life at the moment where you would like your group to pray for you to have wisdom?

Take some time to pray for wisdom.