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Mr. Kevin Hamilton

Choral Introit

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Dr. Paul A. Brown, Pastor

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***HOW TO FACE INCREASING OPPOSITION***

Luke 20:20-26

- I. The Plot: (20)
- A. *watch, spy, pretending to be honest*
  - B. Summary of evil motives ... *setting a trap.*  
The goal: Trapping Jesus into saying something that would result in trouble with the Roman government.
- II. The Trap: (21-22)
- A. Flattering Words (21) “you teach the way of God...truth”
  - B. The question (22) “Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar...”
    - 1. A ‘yes’ answer would offend the religious leaders.
    - 2. A ‘no’ answer would get him in trouble with Rome.”
- III. The Lord's Discernment: (23-25)
- A. Saw through their duplicity
  - B. Illustration of the denarius  
*Whose portrait and inscription on the coin?*
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- The Point: *Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's.*
- The Application *or underlying lesson for us:*
- 1. Where has God placed His image?  
– Genesis 1:26-27
  - 2. Where has God written His inscription?  
– Romans 2:15, 2 Corinthians 3:2-3
- IV. The trap turned into yet another teaching moment: (26)
- A. Astonishment
  - B. Silence

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Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,

Bless His holy Name. (repeat)

He has done great things, He has done great things,

He has done great things, Bless His Holy Name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,

Bless His holy Name.

\*Responsive Reading Psalm 67:1

PASTOR: <sup>1</sup>May God be gracious to us and bless us

and make his face shine upon us,

ALL: <sup>2</sup>**that your ways may be known on earth,  
your salvation among all nations.**

\*Hymn *God Be Gracious*

God be gracious and bless us and make your face shine on us.  
Let Your ways be known Your salvation shown all over the earth  
Let Your ways be known Your salvation shown all over the earth.

May the peoples praise you - O God  
May all the peoples praise you  
May the nations be glad and sing for joy  
For you come to rule them justly.  
May the peoples praise you - O God  
For You guide the nations of the earth.  
May the peoples praise you - O God  
The nations be glad and sing for joy.  
(Repeat)

\*Invocation

Scripture Reading Luke 20:20-26

<sup>20</sup> Keeping a close watch on him, they sent spies, who pretended to be honest. They hoped to catch Jesus in something he said so that they might hand him over to the power and authority of the governor. <sup>21</sup> So the spies questioned him: “Teacher, we know that you speak and teach what is right, and that you do not show partiality but teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. <sup>22</sup> Is it right for us to pay taxes to Caesar or not?”

<sup>23</sup> He saw through their duplicity and said to them, <sup>24</sup> “Show me a denarius. Whose portrait and inscription are on it?”

<sup>25</sup> “Caesar’s,” they replied.

He said to them, “Then give to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.”

<sup>26</sup> They were unable to trap him in what he had said there in public. And astonished by his answer, they became silent.

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*Verse 1*

Give of your best to the Master, Give of the strength of your youth.

Throw your soul's fresh, glowing ardor, Into the battle for truth.  
Jesus has set the example – Dauntless was He, young and brave,  
Give Him your loyal devotion, Give Him the best that you have.  
*Give of your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth.*  
*Clad in salvation's full armor, Join in the battle for truth.*

*Verse 2*

Give of your best to the Master, Give Him first place in your heart;  
Give him first place in your service: Consecrate every part.  
Give, and to you shall be given, – God His beloved son gave;  
Gratefully seeking to serve Him, Give Him the best that you have.  
*Give of your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth.*  
*Clad in salvation's full armor, Join in the battle for truth.*

*Verse 3*

Give of your best to the Master, Naught else is worthy His love,  
He gave himself for your ransom, Gave up His glory above;  
Laid down His life with-out murmur, You from sin's ruin to save;  
Give Him your heart's adoration, Give Him the best that you have.  
*Give of your best to the Master; Give of the strength of your youth.*  
*Clad in salvation's full armor, Join in the battle for truth.*

Offering of Thanks and Praise

Offertory

Sermon Continued

The Lord's Discernment

Pastoral Prayer

\*Hymn No. 623      *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. A-men, A-men

Sermon Concluded

Astonishment and Silence

Song of Response

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction No. 602      *God Be With You*      (v. 1)

God be with you till we meet again,  
By His counsels guide, uphold you.  
With His sheep securely fold you,  
God be with you till we meet again.

\*Postlude