

# Melbourne Community Church (MCC)

Sunday Service — January 1, 2023

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Who did the Pharisees send to entrap Jesus?

Who are the Herodians?

Why would the Pharisees include them in the plot?

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What was the issue they would use to try to entrap Jesus?

What particular kind of money did Jesus ask them to show?

How did Jesus use the object to confound his enemies? (see also [Genesis 1:27](#))

### Round 2: Sadducees vs. Jesus

What particular belief did the Sadducees hold since they affirmed only the Torah (first five books of the Tanakh)?

Referring to Moses (only), the Sadducees questioned him with a hypothetical concerning what topic?

What did Jesus state that the Sadducees did not know about angels?

### Round 3: Torah-Teacher vs. Jesus

The Pharisees, Herodians, and Sadducees having lost in the first two rounds, what question did the expert in Jewish law ask of Jesus?

### Round 4: Jesus vs. Pharisees

The Pharisees, giving it one last try, asked Jesus what question?

Jesus asks two questions for which the Pharisees knew the answer. What were these two statements made by David? ([Jeremiah 23:5](#); [Psalm 110:1](#))

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