

Sermon Application Study

November 1, 2026

Target Passage → Luke 20:1-8

1. Why do the chief priests, scribes, and elders oppose Jesus? What do they want?
2. How does the opponents' question corner Jesus? What are they hoping he'll say?
3. How does Jesus' question reverse the argument on his opponents?
4. What do we learn from the reasoning of the opponents?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → Luke 3:1-18, John 3:1-15

For Me →

1. Was there a time in your life you had an insincere approach to Jesus? What changed for you? Or do you know someone who moved from skeptic to believer? What changed?
2. What has been your experience in talking with people who are skeptical of the gospel? Tell the story if you have one.

For the Mission →

1. What's the difference between a sincere and an insincere question from a skeptic? How can you tell the difference?
2. As Christians, should we engage in conversation with skeptics, even insincere ones? If not, why not? If so, how do we know when to talk and when to walk away?

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for the people you know who are skeptical of Jesus. Ask the Lord to give them an honest desire to pursue spiritual truth.