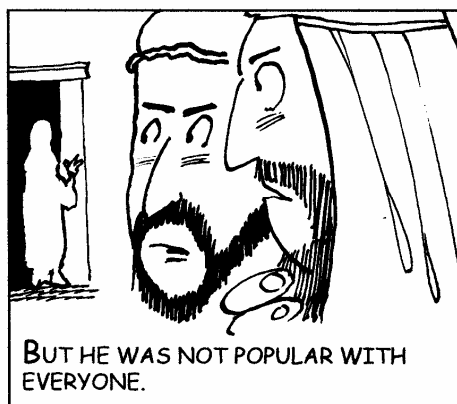


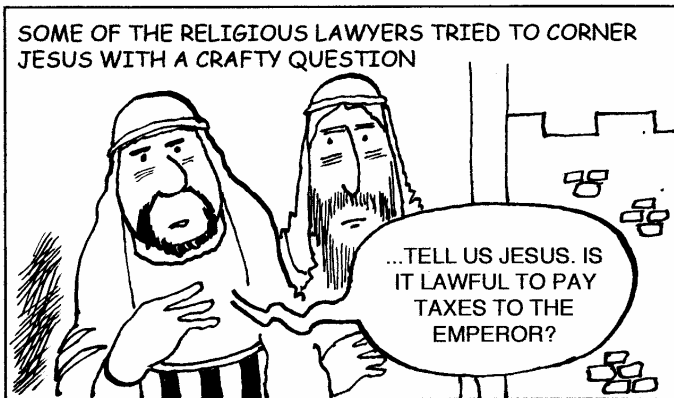
# The Coin and the Emperor



JESUS HAD MANY FRIENDS.

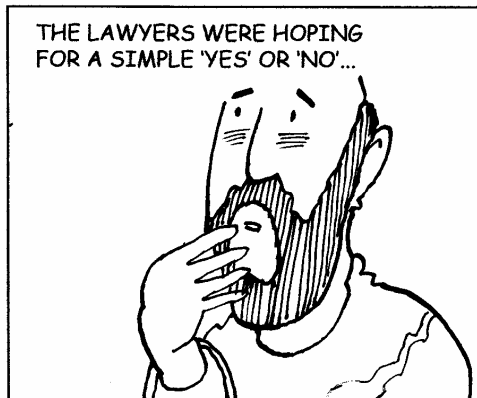


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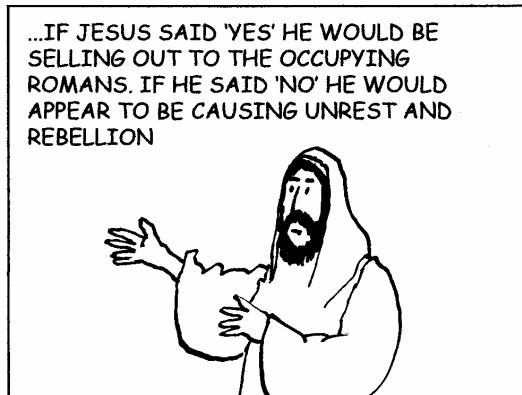


SOME OF THE RELIGIOUS LAWYERS TRIED TO CORNER JESUS WITH A CRAFTY QUESTION

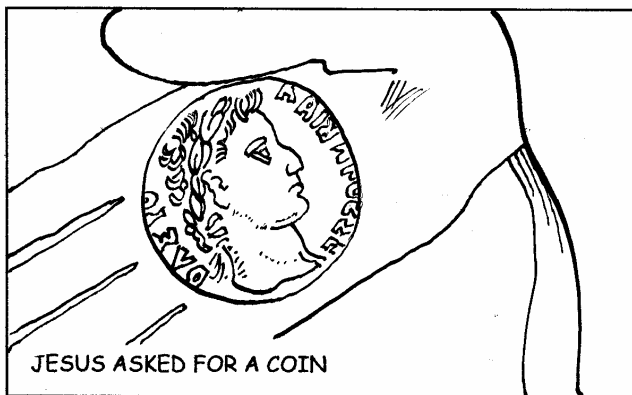
...TELL US JESUS. IS IT LAWFUL TO PAY TAXES TO THE EMPEROR?



THE LAWYERS WERE HOPING FOR A SIMPLE 'YES' OR 'NO'...



...IF JESUS SAID 'YES' HE WOULD BE SELLING OUT TO THE OCCUPYING ROMANS. IF HE SAID 'NO' HE WOULD APPEAR TO BE CAUSING UNREST AND REBELLION



JESUS ASKED FOR A COIN



WHOSE HEAD IS ON THE COIN?



GIVE TO THE EMPEROR THE THINGS THAT ARE THE EMPEROR'S AND TO GOD THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S

see Matthew 22.15-22