

10/04/2020 "...I'm not sure I'd belong."

- 1. What resonated with you most from Sunday's message? Why?
- 2. Read Matthew 22:15-22. What things come to mind when you consider "give back to Caesar what is Caesar's"?
- 3. What is the essence of Jesus' response to their question?
- 4. Can you think of a time where you felt like you didn't belong? When was that and what communicated that sense of not belonging?
- 5. What emotions or experiences do you encounter when you find a place where you truly belong?
- 6. What things tend to turn belonging into exclusion or exclusivity?
- 7. Where do people often try to find belonging?
- 8. What images and identities do they take on to find belonging?
- 9. Matthew 22 states that we are to give back to God what is God's. What does that mean in terms of our lives?
- 10. The denarius has the image of Caesar on it. Genesis 1:26 states that humanity has God's image stamped on it. How does this challenge your understanding of how you can relate with God?
- 11. How would you give yourself back to God, as verse 21 challenges? What things are included or excluded in this?
- 12. How does belonging change your experience of or engagement with God?
- 13. Jesus sees an immense amount of value and worth in you (consider Luke 15) and wants you to know that you belong. How can you take new steps to respond God's invitation to belonging?