

# PORTRAIT OF THE KING

## “Who Do You Think You Are?” (Matthew 21:23-27)

### INTRODUCTION

- The concept of authority is a God-given and God-designed institution.
  - a) Government in authority over its citizens (Romans 13:1-7; I Peter 2:17)
  - b) Employers in authority over their employees (Ephesians 6:5-9; I Peter 2:18)
  - c) Husbands in authority over their wives (Ephesians 5:22; Colossians 3:18; I Peter 3:1)
  - d) Parents in authority over their children (Ephesians 6:1-3)
  - e) Elders in authority over the church (Hebrews 13:17)
  - f) Angels in authority over mankind (Psalms 8:5)
  - g) Man in authority over creation (Psalm 8:6-8)
  - h) Jesus Christ in authority over mankind (I Corinthians 11:3)
  
- *KEY POINT: You might challenge Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ but you cannot \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus' authority.*

### EXPOSITION

- I. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ on the source of His authority (vs. 23).
  - Pharisees
  
  - Scribes
  
  - Sadducees
  
  - Herodians

- Zealots
  
- Essenes
  
- Jesus received authority from the Father (John 5:26-27; 10:18; Matthew 28:18).

II. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ their question (vs. 24-27).

- The way Jesus responds to their question is an illustration of Proverbs 26:4.
  
- 2 Possible Answers to Jesus' Question

Option #1	Consequence
Option #2	Consequence

**CONCLUSION**

**TAKE IT A STEP FURTHER**

- 1) Among the listed examples of earthly authority structures, which one do you struggle in submitting to the most?
- 2) Can you identify the reason why there is that struggle for submission?
- 3) Book Recommendation – *Jesus Christ Our Lord* by John Walvoord