

Sons of the Kingdom

Matthew 17:24-27

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Tax Collectors question Peter about the Temple Tax

- *24*When they came to Capernaum, the collectors of the two-drachma tax went up to Peter and said, "Does your teacher not pay the tax?" *25*He said, "Yes."
 - **Exodus 30:13**

Jesus clarifies His relationship to the Temple Tax

- *25b*And when he came into the house, Jesus spoke to him first, saying, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do kings of the earth take toll or tax? From their sons or from others?" *26*And when he said, "From others," Jesus said to him, "Then the sons are free."
 - **Matthew 12:6**

Jesus explains why and pays the Temple Tax

- *27*However, not to give offense to them, go to the sea and cast a hook and take the first fish that comes up, and when you open its mouth you will find a shekel. Take that and give it to them for me and for yourself."
 - **1 Corinthians 9:12**

So What?

- Jesus Christ paid it all on our behalf.
 - **Exodus 30:11-16**
 - **1 Peter 1:18-19**
- We must make every effort not to give offense unnecessarily for the sake of the gospel.
 - **1 Corinthians 1:23**
 - **1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1**