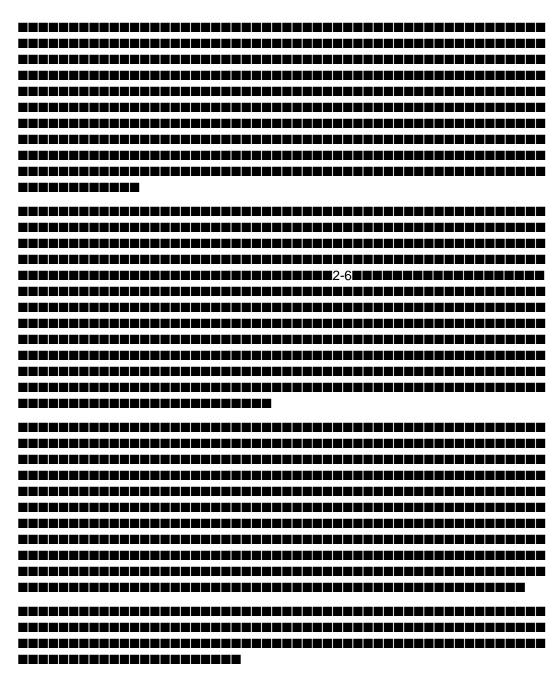
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Solomon continues to describe limitation of authority And hence in chapter 9 verses 7 and 9Solomon tells usGo, eat your food with gladnessAnd drink your wine with a joyful heartFor God has already approved what you doAlways be clothed in whiteAnd always anoint your head with oilEnjoy life with your wife whom you loveAll the days of this meaningless lifeThat God has given to you under the sunAll your meaningless daysFor this is your lot in lifeAnd in your tourism labor under the sun meaninglessWe cannot live without itAnd hence we must fear it teaches usDo not deliberately seek powerBut do not go against authority either That is authority whySolomon believes that authority is meaningless
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And although I don't thinkWhat Solomon thought was wronglt is very pessimistic see how ChristJesus Christ himself viewed authority authorityBut could not come up with a solutionAnd hence just accepted the realityAnd continued on living the way that Christ viewed this Was very differentlt was a lot It was in a much more positive light faced with a particular situationWhere the Pharisees who were trying to attack himGave him a difficult question Matthew 22The Pharisees asked ChristAs a JewShould they or should they not be paying taxes to Caesar to deal with authority religion are ruled by GodAnd they were heavily opposed to Roman ruleAnd However in those daysThe country was conquered by the RomansAnd hence the Romans

did have the authorityTo govern them physically hence the Jewish people in those daysWare very conflicted about this issue of authority Christ tells them not to payThen the Romans would definitely take actionsAgainst the Jews to reclaim those

taxes the taxesThen many a Jew would lose the Jewish faithDue to their submission to a different authority■■■■■■So how does Christ deal with this difficult situation■■■■■■ 

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themWhose image is thisAnd whose inscriptionAnd Caesar'sThey repliedThen he said to themSo give back to CaesarWhat is Caesar'sAnd to GodWhat is God'sWhen they heard thisThey were amazedAnd left himAnd went away authority of worldly whether or notthey know themselves The power of all worldly leadersultimately was granted to themfrom Christfrom God \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_,\_\_,\_\_\_\_\_, [24:46] ■I believe, however, that this, given most of us are quite humble within this service, this isn't too much of a big issue for us. ■■■■■■■■Maybe instead of over-appreciating, we actually under-appreciate our own authority, and in fact neglect it. WIND THE RESERVE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPER may have the title of leaders, however, we have not understood the seriousness and authority and duty associated with this term. **THE STATE OF THE STATE OF THE** our civil groups enough in their lives and their spiritual growth. We may undertake our duties a little bit too [27:41] casually. another example, the praise and worship team who have the authority to stand before us and lead us in worshiping God. ignorant of the gloriousness of this authority? **BELLEVILLE** Perhaps we have not completely undertaken our responsibilities, we have not practiced hard enough or rehearsed well enough to praise God. \_ 

So in Matthew 2220-22Christ replies to the PhariseesWith the followingAnd he asked