

Class Newsletter

Brainercise Riddle

Two boxers are in a boxing match (regular boxing, not kick boxing). The fight is scheduled for 12 rounds but ends after 6 rounds, after one boxer knocks out the other boxer. Yet no man throws a punch. How is this possible?



Who Am I?

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Fun Bible Facts Paying Taxes

During the time of Jesus in first century Israel, there were publicans and tax collectors who could walk up to a man and tax him for what he was carrying, and much more.

Judea was in the province of Syria and every man was to pay 1% of his annual income for income tax. But that was not all, there were also import and export taxes, crop taxes (1/10 of grain crop and 1/5 of wine, fruit, and olive oil), sales tax, property tax, emergency tax, and on and on.

The tax collectors were usually Jewish and therefore they were hated by their own people. When they collected their taxes for Rome they would turn over the required amount of money, and whatever they could add on for themselves is what they kept. They were known to be extortioners of large sums of money. Because tax collectors were in relationship with Rome, who were Gentiles in the eyes of the Jews, and hated for their domination, they were treated similar to the worst kinds of sinners and prostitutes.

Fun Facts

Jump start your week

Memory Verse: John 15:13

"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends."



Story of the Week: Samuel Hears God
1 Samuel 3

Hints for "Who am I?"

He was taken into heaven by God
He walked with God
generations
He was descended from Adam by seven
Methuselah was his son
book of Jude
He is mentioned in the New Testament