



G – Gather for Prayer

Father,

You gave everything when you gave your Son Jesus. You are the giver of good gifts! Help me to grow in my giving as I worship and follow you.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

R – Read the Text (Mark 12:41-44)

41 And He sat down opposite the treasury, and began observing how the people were putting [a]money into the treasury; and many rich people were putting in large sums. 42 A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which amount to a cent. 43 Calling His disciples to Him, He said to them, "Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the contributors to the treasury; 44 for they all put in out of their surplus, but she, out of her poverty, put in all she owned, all she had to live on.

O – Observe what God has said

What are some of Jesus' observations at the treasury?

In what ways did the woman give more than the others?

W – Work on Application

It is not the quantity of the gift that matters most to the Lord, but the demonstration of faith in which it is given that most impresses the one who matters most. We cannot let our giving become so routine that we forget that our giving is an act of worship. When was the last time we even thought about what we gave and in what spirit we give it? Does your giving, does my giving, demonstrate faith and dependency on the God who gave us everything?

One thing is for certain—you cannot outgive God. After all, God gave his only son as a sacrifice for sin and this we celebrate today through communion.

When was the last time you thought about/paid attention to how you give to the Lord?

Why is it important for disciples to consider what and how they give?

Family Weekly Memory Verse: *"for they all put in out of their surplus, but she, out of her poverty, put in all she owned, all she had to live on." Mark 12:44*