

Everyone Giving Sunday

Mark 12:41-44

Welcome (10 mins)

Have you ever experienced unexpected generosity?

Worship (10 mins)

Think: a great deal of our activity as disciples of Jesus is simply imitating what God already does. We love as he loves, we forgive as he forgives, and we give as he gives. Take a few moments to consider the ways God has blessed you, the gifts he has given.

Song: Sing '*Breathing The Breath*' by Matt Redman. Listen to the song [here](#), and download the chords [here](#) if you'd like to play along.

Word (30 mins)

1. In this passage, Jesus sits watching people give money to the temple. What two scenarios does he notice?
2. What is Jesus' judgment of the widow's gift?
3. Why does Jesus consider her 'two very small copper coins' worth more than the 'large amounts' given by others? And what does this teach us about Jesus' metric for financial generosity?
4. What could a rich person learn from this passage? What could a poor person learn?
5. Jesus makes it clear that financial generosity is less about giving a certain amount, and more about sacrificial generous giving out of what we DO have. Think about your own attitude to giving - do you think you are closer to the rich people or to the widow?
6. How can the widow's example encourage or challenge you as you think about your own giving?

Wonder (5-10 mins)

Here is an opportunity to pause, reflect and consider the Lord's generosity towards you, and how you would like to, in faith, commit to financial giving to CCK for 2024. Pass post-it notes and pens around, put on some worship music and ask the Lord to guide you in this process. You might find these questions helpful:

- How has the Lord been faithful to you this year in the area of finances?
- What step of faith is He calling you to in your financial giving for 2024?
- What would it look like for you to give as the widow gave?

Witness (5-10 mins)

Everyone Giving Sunday was on 3rd December 2024. If you weren't able to fill out a pledge form then, you can fill it in online [here](#), or download and print your own copy [here](#). It's not too late to pray, consider and make a pledge for the year ahead. So why not use this opportunity now? Remember, it is not about the amount but about our heart. In pairs or threes within your small group, you might find it helpful to check in with each other in a month's time as a way to support one another in this discipline. Ask one another before Christmas, 'have you filled in your pledge form yet?'