



Questions for Week Three—Crazy Generosity | Mark 12:41-44

Open

- How do you define “rich?” “Poverty?”

Discuss*

- What is the difference between the giving of the rich people and the widow?
- What lessons have you learned from this passage?
- Read the sections right before and right after this passage. Discuss how this context might bring out other issues and application of this passage.
- Does Jesus commend the widow for her sacrificial giving here? Explain.
- What would happen if all followers of Jesus followed the example of the widow?
- How does this passage relate to Jesus’ encounter with the Rich Young Ruler in Mark 10:17-27?
- What Scriptural examples can you find that teach our responsibility to help the materially poor?

Reflect

- Why do church people get “touchy” when we talk about giving?
- How do you decide how much and what to give to the church? Other charities?
- Based on this passage, what should we pray about?

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

James 1:27, NIV

**Use these questions to guide your discussion. Don’t feel like you have to go through all of them and make sure you take time to talk through any questions and observations from either the sermon or the lesson with the group.*

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