

**What Impresses The Lord**  
**Mark 12:41-44**

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1. Suppose we decided to take the contribution this morning in a new way.
2. Notice this familiar story with me.
3. After reading about this event, we might wonder, “What impressed Jesus on this last day of his public ministry?”
4. I want to explore 4 reasons why I believe Jesus was impressed with her giving.
  - I. Jesus Watches As We Give To God’s Treasury. Mark 12:41, “Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts.”
    - A. We need to realize that there has always been a treasury in God’s house.
    - B. We need to realize that the Lord watches the treasury.
  - II. Jesus Was Impressed With The Widow’s Circumstances. Mark 12:42, “But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny.”
    - A. The Lord examines our heart condition.
    - B. The Lord examines our circumstances.
    - C. The Lord examines our contributions.
  - III. Jesus Was Impressed With The Widow’s Faith. Mark 12:43-44, “Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, ‘I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.’”
    - A. This passage of Scripture is not just about giving.
    - B. Something incredible happened when this poor widow gave her all.