

~Another Look at the Lessons~

Read: 1 Kings 17:7-16

Describe the situation that this widow was in. How would conventional wisdom have responded to Elijah's request?

What alone accounted for the widow's sacrificial giving? How did the LORD respond?

Read: Mark 12:41-44

How does it make you feel to know that Jesus is watching the monetary gifts you give to him? Why?

In what ways did this widow give more than all the rest? How do you think God responded?

Read: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Paul uses the example of the Macedonians' generosity in the midst of their poverty to encourage the comparability wealthy Corinthians to increase their giving to help the poor in Jerusalem. How does he spur them on without using guilt or compulsion (the law)?

Based on our readings today, come up with your own definition of "sacrificial giving".