Faith When the Funds Are Low

Luke 21:1-4

I. The Widow's Faith Took Her to the Place of Worship

- A. The treasury was at the Temple in Jerusalem (v.1).
- **B.** Some might have found excuses to stay away.
- C. This widow did not have much money.
- D. <u>Her shortage of funds did not keep her from giving what</u> <u>she had to God</u>.

Galatians 5:6 – "...faith working through love."

Luke 7:47, "Therefore I say unto you, her sins which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little."

II. The Widow's Faith Moved Her to Give.

- A. Many think they cannot afford to give.
- **B.** She considered giving an act of her worship.

First: it is an act of obedience.

Malachi 3:10, Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it.

Second: It is an act of faith.

2 Cor. 8:8 & 12, "I speak not by commandment, but I am testing the sincerity of your love by the diligence of others..." ¹²"For is there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has and not according to what he does not have."

C. <u>She could not give much but could not keep from giving what</u> <u>she had.</u>

III. The Widow's Faith Caused Her to Give All She Had (v. 4)

- A. Jesus saw this as the largest gift of the day.
- B. The others gave part of their wealth.
- C. The Widow held nothing back, she gave her all.

Faith says; "I will trust God for my needs being met, just as He has promised He would."

Faith works even when the funds are low.