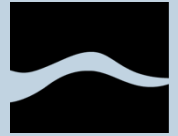


SERMON NOTES

TELL ME ABOUT HIS DISCERNMENT

Mark 12:41-44



BIG IDEA: Jesus sees beyond outward appearances and knows the difference between superficial religion and wholehearted devotion.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

Have you ever misjudged a person or situation because you only saw what was on the surface? What happened when you learned the full story?

EXPLORE

How does the account of the widow connect to Jesus' warning about the scribes in verses 38-40?

What contrasts do you see between the scribes and the widow?

What does this passage reveal about the difference between human evaluation and divine evaluation?

How does Jesus' evaluation of the widow prepare us for his own sacrificial death later in Mark's Gospel?

APPLY

In what areas of your spiritual life are you most tempted to seek the approval of people rather than God?

What is something in your life that would be difficult to surrender to God because it gives you a sense of security, control, or significance?

If Jesus were evaluating your worship, service, and giving today, what would He say is revealing about where your trust truly rests?

COMMIT

This week, take one specific step of obedience, generosity, or service that requires you to trust God more than you trust your own resources, abilities, or comfort.