She Gave All

Luke 21:1-4

Luke 20:45-47: Then, in the hearing of all the people, He said to His disciples, "<u>Beware</u> of the <u>scribes</u>, who desire to go around in <u>long robes</u>, love <u>greetings</u> in the marketplaces, the <u>best seats</u> in the synagogues, and the <u>best places</u> at feasts, who <u>devour widows' houses</u>, and for a <u>pretense</u> make long prayers. These will receive greater <u>condemnation</u>."

Luke 21:1: And He looked up and saw the <u>rich</u> putting their gifts into the <u>treasury</u>...

Mark 12:41: Now Jesus <u>sat opposite</u> the <u>treasury</u> and <u>saw how the people put money into the</u> <u>treasury.</u> And <u>many who were rich</u> put in <u>much.</u>

Everything is open and naked before the <u>eyes</u> of Him to whom we must <u>give account</u>! (Hebrews 4:13)

Luke 21:2: ...and <u>He saw</u> also a certain <u>poor widow</u> putting in <u>two mites</u> (small copper coins).

Luke 21:3: So He said, "<u>Truly</u> I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than <u>all</u>."

Tithing (tenth) - Leviticus 27:30, Genesis
14:20, Genesis 28:22, Matthew 23:23, Malachi
3:8

Offerings

Exodus 35:29: The children of Israel brought a **freewill offering** to the Lord, all the men and women **whose hearts were willing** to bring material for all kinds of work which the Lord, by the hand of Moses, had commanded to be done.

First fruits

Proverbs 3:9-10: Honor the Lord with your **possessions**, and with the **first fruits** of ALL your **increase**; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

•Give, Pray, Fast - Matthew 6

•As a part of Sunday worship - 1 Corinthians 16:2

Sparingly vs. Generously

2 Corinthians 9:6: Remember this: whoever sows <u>sparingly</u> will also reap <u>sparingly</u>, and whoever sows <u>generously</u> will also reap <u>generously.</u> Luke 6:38: Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.

•Willingly NOT under compulsion (IRS)

2 Corinthians 9:7-8: Each man should give what he has <u>decided in his heart to give</u>, not <u>reluctantly</u> (unwilling) or under <u>compulsion</u>, (pressure) for God loves a <u>cheerful</u> giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will <u>abound</u> in every good work.

New Testament Giving Is Reciprocal Giving

2 Corinthians 9:15: Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Fruit

Philippians 4:17-19: Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account... a sweet-smelling aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well pleasing to God. And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Gift of Giving

Romans 12:6-8: Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Luke 21:3-4: So He said, "Truly I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all; for all these out of their abundance have put in offerings for God, but she out of her poverty put in <u>all</u> the livelihood that she had."

2 Chronicles 16:9: For the <u>eyes of the Lord</u> go back and forth throughout the earth to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose <u>hearts</u> are <u>fully</u> <u>committed</u> to <u>Him</u>.