

# A WIDOW GAVE ALL SHE HAD



## BIBLE STORY

### SNACK

Place the snack on the tables.

Pray before eating.

Talk about the Bible story as the children snack.

Lead the children to clean their places and throw away the trash.

### TALK ABOUT THE STORY

—Based on Mark 12:41-44; Luke 21:1-4

#### BIBLE STORY FOR 1s

- » Jesus and His helpers were in the temple (church).
- » People were giving their offerings.
- » Some people put in much money.
- » One woman gave only two coins.
- » Jesus said that the woman gave more than anyone because she gave all she had.

#### BIBLE STORY FOR 2s

- » Jesus and His disciples (helpers) were in the temple (church).
- » The men watched the people drop their money into the money boxes.
- » Rich people put in large amounts of money.
- » A poor woman came and dropped in two coins worth very little.
- » Jesus told His disciples (helpers) that the woman gave more than anyone else. Jesus said the woman gave all she had.

### ROOM

### YOUR TEACHING PARTNER(S)

### DATE OF USE

### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

People learn about God and Jesus at church.

### LIFE POINT

People at church give offerings.

### UNIT VERSE

Come, let us worship God.  
*Psalm 95:6*

### WEEKLY VERSE

Bring an offering to church. *Malachi 3:10*



## BIBLE-LEARNING ACTIVITIES

### SONG

Sing to the tune of “For He’s a Jolly Good Fellow”:

*I can bring an offering.  
I can bring an offering.  
I can bring an offering.  
To show my love to God.*

### DROP COINS IN AN OFFERING BOX

**Gather:** Oatmeal container, box cutter (leader use), canning jar lids, number cube, painter’s tape

**Do:** Cut a slit in the lid of the container large enough for a canning jar lid to fit through. Tape around the cut edges.

- » Place the container, canning jar lids, and number cube on the floor.
- » Instruct a child to roll the number cube.
- » Help a child count the number of lids that shows on the number cube.
- » Direct the child to drop the lids into the container.
- » Guide the boys and girls to take turns rolling the cube and dropping the lids.
- » Remark that Jesus taught that we should give our offering to God.

### CARRY COTTON BALLS

**Gather:** Bible, cotton balls, basket, 4 large spoons, shoebox, tape, marker

**Do:** Place the cotton balls in the basket. Set the basket and shoebox several feet apart on the floor. Write the following on separate tape pieces: Come / let us / worship God. / Psalm 95:6. Stick tape strips to the backs of the four spoons.

- » Guide the boys and girls to scoop a few cotton balls with the large spoons.
- » Direct the children to carry the cotton balls on the spoons and drop them in the shoe box.
- » Challenge the toddlers to turn over the spoons to reveal the verse.
- » Read aloud the verse, encouraging the preschoolers to say it with you.

### BLOW BUBBLES

**Gather:** Music; bubbles, bubble wands

- » Play “Come, Let Us Worship God.”
- » Blow bubbles and encourage the boys and girls to pop the bubbles.
- » State: “There are a lot of bubbles. Some people gave a lot money. The woman only gave two coins, but Jesus said she gave the most because she gave all she had.”

### TOSS BEANBAGS

**Gather:** Bowls, beanbags

- » Place the bowls on the floor a few inches apart.
- » Assist the children in taking turns tossing the beanbags into the bowls.
- » Talk about the Bible story as children toss.
- » Comment: “Jesus taught about giving to God. The woman gave two coins—all she had.”
- » Invite each child to toss a beanbag into a bowl as you say: “Jesus loves (child’s name).” Encourage all children to say each child’s name.

### MOVE “MONEY” WITH MAGNETS

**Gather:** Canning lids, magnetic wands, 2 containers

- » Transfer the canning lids from one container to another using the magnetic wands.
- » Talk about the woman who gave her offering to God.
- » Encourage the children to experiment with how many canning lids they can move at once.

### CLEAN UP

Encourage the toddlers to work together to clean.

### DISMISS

Place the children’s items inside their diaper bags. Remind the parents to do the activities and review the Bible story this week on the Kids Activity Page.