Sermon Based Study Questions for 02.01.2015 Sermon Jesus Sees Your Heart Luke 21:1-4

Jesus is the master at flipping an idea or a tradition on its head to communicate a Kingdom-principle. Jesus takes the weak, the sick, the child, the orphan, the poor, the widow - and He shows us lessons about what it truly means to live, and to love others the way He does.

BIG IDEA: Jesus sees us!

<u>Ice Breaker Questions</u> – (choose one to answer/ask)

If someone were to investigate where your heart is by looking at your spending habits,
 what would they see?

Opening Questions

- Is there anything from Sunday's sermon that really stood out, made an impression, challenged or confused you?
- Have you ever been at the place where you didn't have "two coins to rub together"?
 How did that change your giving practices?
- Is it encouraging or scary for you to know that Jesus sees us? (Psalm 139:1-3)
- What do you think of this CS Lewis quote: --- "I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. In other words, if our expenditures on comforts, luxuries, etc., is up to the standard common among those with the same income as our own, we are probably giving away too little. IF our charities do not at all pinch or hamper us, I should say they are too small. There ought to be things we should like to do and cannot do because our charitable expenditure excludes them." Do you agree?





Bible Study

Read <u>Luke 21:1-4</u>

- Why does Jesus mention the rich alongside the poor widow in the opening verses?
- What significance is there to this woman being a widow?
- What, do you think, motivated the widow to give her two coins?

<u>Application</u>

- Evaluate your own heart. Would you be able to give your last two coins to Jesus?
- Consider something you have that is as important as this widow's two coins.
 Consider giving it to Jesus, literally or symbolically.

Scripture Memory - Luke 21:3

