



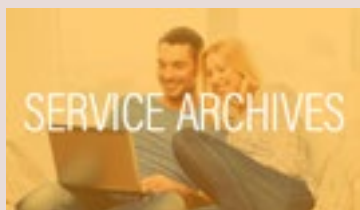
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Sermon Series: What Matters? His Death, Our Life

Our Contents Matter (Luke 21:1-4)

February 16, 2020

Dr. Brian Stowe, Senior Pastor

1. The Lord _____ what we give vv 1-2

A. The Lord _____ what the people gave.

- **The hearts of the religious and rich were not impressive to the Teacher.** Monetarily speaking, the widow's gift was about as close to "insignificant" as you can get - to the common observer, **but not to Jesus.**

B. If anyone ever had an excuse _____ to give, it was the poor widow.

2. The Lord _____ what we keep vv 3-4

A. Jesus' words had to _____ His disciples.

"I was young and now I'm old, yet I've never seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging bread." Psalm 37:25

- Her actions showed that she would rather go into the future with nothing **AND** the Lord, than something without Him.

B. God is more interested in what _____ than in what is _____.

- Proportion is more important than portion.

"The size of an offering is not always an indication of the measure of one's love for God.

Often the amount that is held back is a better indicator of one's devotion."

Hindson, E. E., & Kroll, W. M. (Eds.). (1994). *KJV Bible Commentary* (p. 2061). Nashville: Thomas Nelson.

- It's so easy for stuff to own us, than for us to own the stuff.

What now?

1. _____ in the fact that God _____ your needs, and He has a way of meeting them when we remain faithful to Him.

2. _____ that your giving would _____ the admiration of the Savior.

3. _____ that your giving will _____ people you know, and those you don't know.

"As grieving yet always rejoicing; as poor yet enriching many; as having nothing yet possessing everything."

2 Corinthians 6:10

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Dr. Brian Stowe came to First Baptist in 2013. He and his wife Bonnie have four children: Sarah, Hannah, Andrew, and Elizabeth. Pastor Brian earned his Doctorate in Ministry from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He also holds a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology.