

**Theme: Generosity**    **The Widows Mite**    **Luke 21:1-4**



1 <b>Snack idea</b>	Biscuits, toast or chocolate fingers	How do you use your fingers to be generous?	
2 <b>Craft or Game</b>	Craft Game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make a felt purse. Visit link here <a href="http://artistshelpingchildren.org">artistshelpingchildren.org</a></li> <li>• Toss or tiddly wink copper coins into a basket/chalked area.</li> </ul>	
3 <b>Lighting the candle</b>	Use the same words as the school when lighting the candle.		
4 <b>Welcome</b>	Song: Prayer:	You could use ' <a href="#">welcome everybody</a> ' by Fischy music You could use this <a href="#">gathering prayer</a> by Sam Hargreaves	
5 <b>Collect</b>	Say: A collect is a gathering prayer	The collect for the day can be found here: <a href="#">Join us in a service of Daily Prayer   The Church of England</a> , then select Morning Prayer and scroll to the end to find the collect.	
6 <b>Bible passage</b>	Say: We are reading a story (that has been adapted) from the Bible today so that we can hear God's word and learn about Him.	Luke 21:1-4 You could: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Act it out</li> <li>• Re-tell using props</li> <li>• Show a film clip: <a href="#">The Widow's Coins Mark 12:41-44</a> on YouTube</li> </ul>	  
7 <b>Biblical link</b>	Why it matters	<p>I wonder what you think generosity means? If you are with someone, have a chat with them about what they think it means. Do you both agree?</p> <p>A definition of generosity is 'Giving to others without expecting anything in return'. E.g. time, shelter, food etc. Do you agree with this? Can you think of a time when someone was really generous to you? Or when you have been generous towards someone else? What happened? How did it make you feel? How many different ways can you think of to be generous that don't involve spending or giving money?</p> <p>The Bible says that everything we have is a gift from God and provided to us through God's love, grace and generosity. Therefore, it is right for us to share our gifts with God and with others. This could be sharing our time, personal gifts or our money, clothes, food, sweets.</p>	
8 <b>Take away message</b>	Say: How will you respond to the message we have heard from God today?	How can you be generous to others this week? Print out the generosity weekly challenge (see resources).	

9 Prayer

Say: We say prayers to talk to God ...

Interactive prayer idea:

- Give each person a post-it and pen. Ask them to write or draw where God has been generous to them and a way they could be generous this week. Then bring them forward and place them at the foot of a cross.

Loving Father you have made us your children, you gave us everything we have, help us to be grateful and generous to others as you are to us. Amen



10 Song

Say: We sing songs to praise God and thank God

King of Kings Majesty by Jarrod Cooper



11 The Lord's Prayer

Use the same version as the school.

Ask people to pray using whichever version they know



12 Blessing

Say: We are now to go out, empowered by Jesus' special presence with us.

May the Lord bless us and keep us safe in everything we do. In the name of Christ. Amen.



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the path of the intellect



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the journey of mystery



**Emotions**  
the way of the emotions



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