



Synopsis

A snapshot of the chapter

Some relate the first incident involving a righteous widow to the controversies of the preceding chapter. Certainly, it follows directly the exchanges with the religious leaders, no doubt on the same day. The occasion involving a woman at the treasury is focused, however, on the motive and sacrifice involved in giving to God rather than upon sectarian parties or beliefs. The widow is contrasted with any person with wealth who does not have the same spirit. The remainder of the chapter deals with the destruction of the Temple and the end of the Jewish nation and age. This is the last “recorded” public address of Jesus before his crucifixion, although it appears He taught the next morning in the temple (37-38).

Observation—What do you see?

Important Person(s):

Main Event(s):

Study Questions:

1. How much was a “mite” and how significant was this widow’s giving two of them?
2. When Jesus said “not one stone shall be left upon another,” to what did he refer (vs. 5)?
3. When they asked “what sign will there be,” Jesus gave them at least four kinds of signs. What were they? (see vs. 8-11; vs. 12-19; vs. 20-24; vs. 25-28).
4. What would not happen until all these things came to pass? (vs. 32)
5. What two things did Jesus tell them to do to be counted worthy in verse 36?

Questions:

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- 3.