

SPRING 2025

Unit 2, Session 4

CONNECTION POINT:

God restores us as we are obedient to Him.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: There is no limit to what God can do! The truth of that statement might make us think of the most grand and glorious things He has done, such as the creation of the universe and the resurrection of Christ. God also works through what the world might consider the smallest and least significant things. God works as we trust and obey Him.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to live out his or her faith.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Mark 12:41-44; Luke 21:1-4

Live It Out: Help your child save pennies in a bank. Say that the offerings people give at church help teach about God. Encourage her to give her offering at church.

Jesus sat in the temple. He watched the people putting their money in the temple offering boxes. The rich men threw a lot of money into the offering boxes.

Jesus saw a poor widow walk toward the offering boxes. The widow did not have much money. She could not bring a large offering.

Jesus saw the widow drop two small coins in the offering box. He called His disciples to come to Him.

Jesus said, "I am going to tell you something true. That poor widow put in more money than anyone else."

Jesus explained what He meant: "The rich men only gave some of their money. The widow had only a little money. She gave all the money she had."

KIDS

Scripture: Mark 12:41-44; Luke 21:1-4

Live It Out: Elementary and preteen kids are able to give to church. Explain to your child that being a giving with joy is a way to worship God.

One day Jesus was teaching the people in the temple. He sat down across from the temple treasury and watched how the people dropped money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large amounts of money. Then a poor widow, a woman whose husband had died, came. She dropped in two mites, which were tiny coins that were not worth much.

Jesus called His disciples to Him and said, "This poor widow has given more than all the others. The rich people gave from the extra money they had. However, the widow is poor, and she gave everything she had to live on."

STUDENTS

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-3,10-19a

- When have you seen God work in unexpected ways?
- Why is obedience so important in the life of a believer?
- How is God calling you to grow in obedience?

Live It Out: God is holy, and He calls us to live holy lives too! Holiness refers to our being set apart—living differently from worldly people. The world lives selfishly, pursuing what's best for "me." As Jesus's followers, we're called not to live for ourselves but to serve others and to pursue obedience to God in all we do. God is worthy of our worship and obedience.

We all need accountability in our lives. Having faithful brothers and sisters who help us resist temptation and persist in following Jesus is essential to our spiritual walk. This week, share as a family some of the areas in your life where you each struggle to obey God. Have family members hold each other accountable through prayer and encouragement.