

## Week 25 Family Letter

# God Provides for His Children: The Widow's Mite

(Luke 21:1-4)

Plink! Plink! Plink! Plink! Plink! Plink!  
Temple offerings go "Cha-chink!"  
Rich men want the world to see  
All their money. "Look at me!"  
Jesus told His friends to look  
At the coins a widow took.  
Her coins only went plink, plink.  
But her gift's better, don't you think?  
She gave all the coins she had.  
Loving Jesus made her glad.  
Like the widow, trust in Him,  
Even if your money's slim.  
We know Jesus will provide.  
All our needs will be supplied.  
Love the Lord with all your strength.  
Cheerfully go to great lengths.

### Bible Words

God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

### Dear Family,

Look at the Bible picture. Ask your child to point to Jesus. Explain that Jesus is talking to the disciples, His friends. He wants them to notice what the woman is doing. Ask your child to color the picture of the temple treasury and the widow's coins. Does your child know what she is doing? She is giving money to church.

What's so special about what she's doing is that she is giving Jesus everything she has. That's all her money! She is so thankful to God that she wants to give a gift back to Him. It's called an offering. She's not worried about not having any money left, because she knows God will take care of her.

What a strong faith not to worry about money! What a strong faith to be that grateful to God for all of His blessings! Is God telling you to sell everything you have and give the money to the church? God is telling you to have an attitude of gratitude. He loves and cares for us so much that He sent Jesus to die on the cross for our forgiveness, so that we would inherit the riches of heaven. What does that make your family feel like doing? Consider how your family can make it a habit to daily give God thanks and to weekly collect money for an offering. Perhaps you're wealthy and you didn't even know it! Read the story on page 386 of *The Story Bible* together.

