

Commentary on the Gospel for Mon, Nov 21st 2011

In a society where the person's worth and standing is measured by his economic power, those who have none are always at the mercy of those who have, who can manipulate the society. In the time of Jesus, a widow is considered to be powerless not only because she is a woman but because she lost a provider in her husband. And now that the Temple system requires from her that she drops her share of wealth, the only mint she had was taken away from her. Out of her nothingness, she gave all she had to live on. That was real generosity. We own nothing yet in our nothingness and being dependent on God, we learn to give, we learn to share.

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