

## The Great Judge's Scorecard

**Text: Mark 12:41-44** <sup>41</sup> And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much.<sup>42</sup> And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites (**1 MITE = 1/64 of DENARIUS—1 DENARIUS = DAY'S WAGES FOR COMMON MAN**), which make a farthing.<sup>43</sup> And he called unto him his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:<sup>44</sup> For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.

**Introduction: Preceding Our Text—Jesus Warned Us—Beware—Mark 12 :38-40** <sup>38</sup> And he said unto them in his doctrine, **Beware of the scribes**, which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup> And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the uppermost rooms at feasts:<sup>40</sup> Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these shall receive greater damnation.

*Notice: 1) Dress in Long Clothing--These had an outward appearance of holiness-HOLIER than THOU....2) Salutation in the Marketplace--Recognition and Prestige as Someone Important... 3) Chief Seats in the Synagogue—Rulers Over Others (Chief Spokesmen for God)....4) Love the Uttermost Rooms at the Feast—Center of Attention*

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### God's Scorecard---Things the Bible Teaches Us About How God Judges

1. **Establish the FACT the God Will Judge Us All---We shall all appear before God and be Judged:**  
**Hebrews 9:27** And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:  
**II Corinthians 5:10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

### OUR GREAT JUDGE SLICES OPEN AND INSPECTS OUR EVERY WORK OR DEED TO THE UTMOST DETAIL...

ATOMS--Smallest unit of matter--1 million times smaller than the thickness of a human hair.  
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2. **God's Judgement will be Harsh to the Lukewarm and Backslidden**  
**Mathew 24:25-51**<sup>45</sup> Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?<sup>46</sup> Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.<sup>47</sup> Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.  
<sup>48</sup> **But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;**<sup>49</sup> And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;<sup>50</sup> The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of,<sup>51</sup> And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.  
**Laodiceans Revelation 3:15-17** I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.<sup>16</sup> So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.<sup>17</sup> Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:
3. **God's Judgement will be Filled with Unmerited Favor**

**Matthew 20: 1-6 &12-16** For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.<sup>2</sup> And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.<sup>3</sup> And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace,<sup>4</sup> And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. <sup>5</sup> Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.<sup>6</sup> And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?<sup>7</sup> They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.

<sup>12</sup> Saying, **These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us,** which have borne the burden and heat of the day.<sup>13</sup> But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? <sup>14</sup> Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.<sup>15</sup> Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? <sup>16</sup> **So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.**

4. **God Bestows More Honor on those Who are LESS Prestigious or the LEAST able to Work**  
**I Corinthians 12:20-24** <sup>20</sup> But now are they many members, yet but one body.<sup>21</sup> And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.<sup>22</sup> Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:<sup>23</sup> And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness.<sup>24</sup> For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked.
5. **God Judges by Percentage of Commitment not by Outcome or Results**  
**Matthew 19:27-30** <sup>27</sup> Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? <sup>28</sup> And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.<sup>29</sup> And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.<sup>30</sup> **But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.**
6. **Our Hope----Matt. 19:30 But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.**  
**Workers in the Vineyard Parable—**  
**Matt. 20:16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.**

**Closing: Lastly, Love is the Essential or Key Element in Receiving an Acceptable Mark in God's Scorecard**

**I Corinthians 13:1-3** Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

<sup>2</sup> And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

<sup>3</sup> And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

**Romans 12:9 Let love be without dissimulation. (Pretense or HIDDEN MOTIVES)**