



Beautiful Surrender

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READING: Luke 21

As I read through the Bible, I feel sometimes that I will never measure up. I will not lead any group of people out of slavery like Moses. I will never kill a lion with my bare hands and lead a great army like King David. I will probably never travel around the Mediterranean to boldly preach the Gospel like Paul. Theodore Roosevelt is credited with saying: "Comparison is the thief of joy." God is not looking for another Moses, King David or Paul.

The story of the widow's offering is short, but we can learn a lot from it. Her offering was not about the money; it was about the intent of the heart. God is not impressed with outward expressions of religiousness. He looks at the heart and the motivation behind our words and actions. The widow gave all she had to live on in a beautiful act of surrender.

The Bible is full of incredible stories of God doing amazing things through unexpected people. God uses people who are broken and flawed to do incredible things so He may receive the glory. What does He want from us then? He wants us to be surrendered to Him and available. If you wait until everything is in order to follow Christ, you will never do it. Do not wait for the ideal circumstances to take your next step of faith in following God. Give God the gifts, talents, resources, etc., that you have today and allow Him to use it for His glory.

Would you consider yourself surrendered and available to be used by God? What is it that is holding you back from taking your next step? God is able to do great things for His Kingdom when you are available.

TOMORROW'S READING: Luke 22

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