THE GIFT OF A MOTHER

Mark 12:41 Jesus sat down near the collection box in the Temple and watched as the crowds dropped in their money. Many rich people put in large amounts.

Mark 12:42 Then a poor widow came and dropped in two small coins. Mark 12:43 Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has given more than all the others who are making contributions.

Mark 12:44 For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on."

MY TITLE IS AN INTENDED PLAY ON WORDS.... MOTHER'S GIVE GIFTS AND MOTHERS ARE A GIFT.

TODAY MY INTENT IS TO REMIND YOU OF THE POWER OF YOUR GIFT.... THE POWER OF THE GIFT YOU GIVE AND THE POWER OF YOU AS A GIFT TO US....

IN OUR TEXT WE DISCOVER ONE OF ONLY TWO PEOPLE JESUS EVER EXPRESSED ADMIRATION FOR AS A GIVER. MANY RICH GAVE- NOT IMPRESSED. RICH YOUNG RULER GAVE- NOT IMPRESSED. THE WOMAN WITH THE ALABASTER BOX OF PERFUME MOVED JESUS BY LAVISHING HER EXPENSIVE GIFT ON HIM. IT SHOULD HAVE GONE TO THE POOR, THE THIEF QUIPPED. NO...IT SHOULD GO TO ME.

AND TODAY HE IS SO EXCITED ABOUT THE TWO SMALL COINS GIVEN BY A WOMAN WHO MAY HAVE RAISED HER KIDS ALONE. AT BEST SHE IS NOW LIVING THIS PART OF HER LIFE ALONE. HE IS NOT IMPRESSED WITH THE AMOUNT SHE GAVE BUT WITH THE AMOUNT SHE HAS LEFT!

MY MOTHER GAVE GIFTS

"GENEROSITY IS THE FABRIC THAT MOTHER'S ARE WOVEN FROM."

Proverbs 11:24 Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything.:25 The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.

THEY GIVE THEIR BODY TO BE RENTED BY THEIR BABY

THEY GIVE THEIR BODY TO FEED A BABY

THEY GIVE THEIR LIVES TO RAISE A CHILD

NOTES: MOMMA USED TO SAY IMMA CHANGE MY NAME

I COULD GIVE MILLIONS TO THE KINGDOM AND I STILL CANNOT MATCH WHAT MY WIFE HAS GIVEN.

JESUS IS WATCHING YOU GIVE THE LAST COINS.....

MY MOTHER WAS GIFTED

1 Corinthians 12:4 There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all.:5 There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord.:6 God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.

NOTES: I BELIEVE THESE GIFTS ARE GIFTS THAT EVERY MOTHER POSSESSES!

THE GIFT OF INTERCESSION

THE GIFT OF WORD OF WISDOM/KNOWLEDGE

THE GIFT OF ENCOURAGEMENT

JESUS IS WATCHING YOU GIVE WHAT YOU HAD TO LIVE ON!

MY MOTHER WAS A GIFT

2 Timothy 4:6 As for me, my life has already been poured out as an offering to God. The time of my death is near.7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.

SHE SERVED THE WORLD AS A NURSE

SHE SERVED THE CHURCH AS AN INTERCESSOR

SHE SERVED YOU BY MAKING ME

NOTES:WHO WILL STILL BE PRAISING GOD FOR YOU WHEN YOU ARE LONG GONE?

JESUS HAS WATCHED YOU GIVE YOUR ALL!