More Than Hearing Worksheet

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Text Mark 12:38-44

38 As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, 39 and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! 40 They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

41 He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. 42 A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. 43 Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. 44 For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Eye - S, Math - I, Music - I, People - I, Self - B

Smarts	Images in the text/ interesting exegesis	Illustrations	SFX
Word - Verbal/Linguistic			
Eye - Visual/Spatial MWD			Vss. 43-44 - We haven't used the old balance scales for a while, and this might be a good place to do it. Here, first of all, is a G-search for " <u>balance</u> <u>scale: diy</u> " so you can see how to make one. As to what to do, first demonstrate the balance between a large amount of available cash (big bag of coins, big stack of bills, real or simulated) and a large contribution (a significant subset of the available cash). Remove these. Then use two coins on one side, indicating all the woman possessed, and move them to the contribution side.
Math -		Vss. 43-44 - Consider the	

Logical/Mathematical D2		difference between regressive, proportional, and progressive tax structures, as described here at investopedia.com. The scripture text does not refer to the money put in the treasury as a tax, but Jesus' point can be demonstrated with the different tax types as an example. MATH for percentages and stuff.	
Body - Kinesthetic			
Musical D2		<u>Two Copper Coins</u> - The Work of the People	
Natural			
People - Interpersonal MWD		The scribes are described as being like the villains in old western <u>melodramas</u> ; the bad guy with swirly moustache who demanded exorbitant rent from helpless homesteader damsels, for example. Like <u>this</u> .	
Self - Intrapersonal D2	"Human nature has a way of corrupting the most sacred and turning it to the ends of greed and self aggrandisement." and "The scribes exploit and grab in their spiritual poverty; she in her poverty has a wealth of generosity." ~ Bill Loader	Here are some statements about self aggrandizing behavior from <u>Out of the</u> Fog, a non-profit support group for people who have loved ones with personality disorders. "Some psychologists believe that Narcissists are people whose emotional centers have fewer connections to the higher reasoning parts of the brain located in the frontal cortex - so they lack that filter most of us use to keep our basic instincts in check. Despite their facade,	Jesus is not big on the scribe's self aggrandizing behavior - "they will receive greater condemnation". Take time to reflect on your own relationships this week: • Do you know anyone who behaves like the scribes described in these verses • How does Jesus' attitude toward them color yours? • Even though he is not impressed by their actions and is very concerned

	self-aggrandizers often suffer from low self-esteem themselves. They live in a dog-eat-dog world of fear where being anything less than being number one is regarded as failure – a world where nobody can be trusted." "Being in a relationship with a self-aggrandizer can feel a little like being on a fast moving freight train. You can't steer because someone else is driving it and you're left to choose between a ride to somewhere you don't want to go to or jumping off while the train is still in motion and potentially getting hurt."	 with how it is detrimental to the vulnerable, Jesus dies for them, too. How does this affect the way you consider the people you know? Are you someone who exhibits self aggrandizing tendencies? What do you fear?
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