

## Does your Christianity reach down into your pockets?



**K**ING DAVID ONCE SAID that he would not give to the Lord that which cost him nothing (2 Samuel 24:24). It doesn't really count until it costs you something to give, until you are sacrificing and can say, "The love of Christ compels me" (2 Corinthians 5:14).

Remember the widow who gave her last two mites? When Jesus saw that, He said she had given even more than the rich who had only cast in a little of their abundance. Although a mite was the smallest of all coins—only part of a penny—those two mites were all she had, so the Lord gave her more credit than He did the rich. She gave even more than it seemed she should, and Jesus honored her for it (Mark 12:42–44).

"Give, and it will be given to you" (Luke 6:38). That promise has never failed. That is a law of God, more sure than the law of gravity. You can even give everything you've got and still not hurt because God will bless you for it. If your motive is right, God will bless you for giving by giving you more.