

Luke 20.46-21.4: a “dialogue” with the rest of Luke’s Gospel

"Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in **long robes**

What then did you go out to see? **Someone dressed in soft robes**? Look, those who put on fine clothing and live in luxury are in royal palaces. (7.25)

and love **to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces** and to have the **best seats in the synagogues** and **places of honor at banquets**.

Woe to you Pharisees! For you **love to have the seat of honor in the synagogues** and **to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces**. (11.43)

"When you are invited by someone to a **wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor**... (14.8)

They **devour widows' houses** and **for the sake of appearance say long prayers**. They will receive the greater condemnation."

"when this son of yours came back, who has **devoured your property** with prostitutes..." (15.30)

"a **widow** who kept coming to him and saying, '**Grant me justice** against my opponent!...And **will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him** day and night?" (18.3, 7)

The **Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus**, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted." (18.11-14)

He looked up and saw **rich people putting their gifts** into the treasury;

"But **woe to you who are rich**, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry." (6.24-25)

he also saw a **poor widow put in two small copper coins**.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me **to bring good news to the poor**.... (4.18)

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "**Blessed are you who are poor**, for yours is the kingdom of God." (6.20)

"the poor have good news brought to them." (7.22)

Sell all that you own and **distribute the money to the poor**, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." (18.22)

He said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them; for all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in **all she had** to live on."

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent **all she had** on physicians...(8.43)