No More Excuses

September 16, 2023

Read Chapter 13 – *No More Ownership*

1. Define ownership.
2. Define stewardship.
3. Discuss the reasons Dr. Evens gives as to why stewardship is better than ownership.
4. How does Joseph model stewardship? See Genesis 39:6, 8-9.
5. According to Psalm 24:1-2, how are we to understand our possessions?

Why do we think we own what God has said belongs to Him? Contrast this with Genesis 1:28-30 and 2:16-17.

1. Discuss from Isaiah 14:14 and Genesis 3:5 how we may be like the devil in the area of ownership.
2. Discuss Dr. Evans question: “How does God’s ownership of everything relate to the concept of tithing, or of giving God 10% of what we make?”
3. How does realizing we are God’s stewards help us understand that we are to also give Him first priority in every area of our lives? Cite additional verses.

What does it mean to put God first? How does that look practically?

1. What does Matthew 6:25-34 tell us about ownership and anxiety?

Why do we worry about what God said He would provide if we trust Him?

What is worry and how does it negatively affect us?

What do we learn about faith from this passage and how it positively affects us?

1. Why does how we handle money an indicator of what place God has in our lives?
2. What does it mean to seek God’s kingdom first?
3. Discuss the privileges of stewardship when we trust God for our todays?

Contentment: (Philippians 4:10-13)

Great gain: (I Timothy 6:6-8)

Beware the love of money: (I Timothy 6:9-12,17)

1. What priorities need to shift in your life so that God has priority and ownership of what you have?

What things do you need to give Him so that He has first place in your life?

Next month – Chapter 14 – No More Clock Punching – October 21, 2023