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Chapter 9: STEWARDSHIP

Personal Study

Last week you took a deeper look at your beliefs about compassion. Did you learn anything new that might make you feel more compassionate toward other people? Maybe you recognized a situation in your own life where someone showed you compassion. This week before your group meeting, read *Believe, Chapter 9: Stewardship*. Then spend some time allowing the Scripture to take root in your heart and identifying some areas in your life where you might become a better steward.

Read

Read Believe, Chapter 9: Stewardship and answer the following questions. 1. What patterns do you observe in these Scriptures? 2. As you read these passages, what thoughts or questions came to mind? 3. What did you read that encouraged you? Stunned you? Challenged you? 4. How does believing "everything belongs to God" set us free from the trappings of materialism and greed?

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Memorizing Scripture is a valuable discipline for all believers to exercise. Spend a few minutes each day committing this week's Key Verse to memory.

Key Verse: "The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." (Psalm 24:1)
Recite this week's Key Idea out loud. As you do, ask yourself, does my life reflect this statement?
Key Idea: I believe that everything I am or own belongs to God.
Answer the following questions to help you apply this week's Key Idea to your own life.
1. What behaviors help you recognize someone who believes that everything belongs to God?
2. What, if anything, hinders you from practicing good stewardship?
3. What is something you can do this week to demonstrate this belief?
Journal
Bring this study guide with you to church and use the following space to take notes from the pastor's or teacher's message.

