

Small Group Study Guide



A Clear Objective Oct 27, 2019

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, may we never forget that everything belongs to you, comes from you and is dispensed by you? Forgive us when we hold on too tightly to what we have and help us to honor you with everything we have. We pray this in the matchless name of Jesus. Amen.

SCRIPTURE:

1 Chronicles 29:10-14 Common English Bible (CEB)

10 Then David blessed the Lord before the whole assembly: Blessed are you, Lord, God of our ancestor Israel, forever and always. 11 To you, Lord, belong greatness and power, honor, splendor, and majesty, because everything in heaven and on earth belongs to you. Yours, Lord, is the kingship, and you are honored as head of all. 12 You are the source of wealth and honor, and you rule over all. In your hand are strength and might, and it is in your power to magnify and strengthen all. 13 And now, our God, we thank you and praise your glorious name. 14 Who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly? Since everything comes from you, we have given you that which comes from your own hand.



INTRODUCTION

What is the one thing you are trying to accomplish with your money? What is your objective? People have a variety of answers when it comes to their financial goals but as a follower of Jesus how can you determine what that objective should be?

Scripture teaches us that everything belongs to God; everything comes from God; everything is distributed by God as he sees fit. If that is the case then what should be the one thing that drives all of our financial decisions and all the decisions that have anything to do with our stuff. The one driving force is that we should **honor God with everything we have**. This is not simply about giving; this is about living. Honoring God with your resources will be different for different people.

QUESTIONS

- 1) What was your favorite Halloween costume you wore as a child?
- 2) What can we do to remember God both in times of abundance and in times of scarcity?
- 3) Whether you are in a season where you have extra or not enough money, how can seeing God as the 100 percent owner of it all change your perspective? As a manager, what steps can you take toward being less fearful and more purposeful with your Master's money?
- 4) Read I Chronicles 29:10-14 on page 1. When David praised the Lord, who did he say that wealth, honor, strength and power came from? Do you believe that his statement is still true today?
- 5) What resources has God placed in your life? How are you using these resources to serve God?

FINAL APPLICATION

This week pray "God, show me how to honor you with everything I have."