



Perhaps We Should Have Read One More...

The first scripture I referenced was Psalm 24:1. Many of us who grew up in church memorized the 23rd Psalm. Psalm 23 is comforting, encouraging and faith building, **but Psalm 24:1, which immediately follows, is a revelation!**

We should have continued reading and memorized Psalm 24:1. Had we done so and had we taken it to mean exactly what it does mean, you and I would have had a much better perspective on all of the stuff we've acquired through the years.

Because, the bottom line is...

All of the stuff "we" have is not ours - it is His!

He owns it; we don't. Think for just a moment about what this means. Could it mean that if the car you drive is dented in a fender bender, it would be God's dented car? Then, just perhaps, He might help you sort out how He wanted you to repair and pay for His dented fender on His car?



REFLECTION: Consider all that is under the umbrella of "your" household: family, pets, houses, cars, appliances, tools, toys, etc. If you accepted the fact that God is the owner of everything, how would your view change? How would it impact your relationships, attitude, stress level, consideration of value, etc? Identify and prepare to discuss with your group the scripture, statement or concept that was most meaningful to you in this lesson. **Record your thoughts here:**



ACTION STEP: In Crown Financial Ministries' small group study many find it helpful to make a written list of all of the possessions they had previously considered theirs and then make a written declaration that they relinquish ownership. This is often referred to as a quitclaim deed - a document that transfers right of ownership from one party (the grantor) to another party (the grantee). An example deed is provided for your use on page A-1 (appendix). Why don't you spend a few moments and complete the deed? Be comprehensive; don't leave out any major item (house, car, furniture, etc.) because it all belongs to Him. Read carefully the statement at the bottom, then sign and date. If you're married, you should complete this

jointly with your spouse. (Obviously, this has no legal standing, but is a good exercise to visualize the spiritual transfer).



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