

frustration. Our attitude will be reflected in what happens to them. A dent in the bumper of our new car, for instance, can bend us out of shape. A coffee spill on the furniture can stain our attitude. A theft can easily rob us of peace.

We need to give up ownership rights and take our stewardship responsibilities seriously. This does not mean adopting a casual, wasteful attitude about material things. In our hearts we must make a transfer of our goods to God, and then keep reminding ourselves who really owns them (1 Chronicles 29:11). This will help us use things wisely, hold them lightly, and enjoy them fully. —Dennis De Haan

*God owns the gold in every mine,  
The cattle on the hills,  
And in His sovereign grace He gives  
According as He wills. —D. De Haan*

**The real measure of our wealth is the treasure we have in heaven.**



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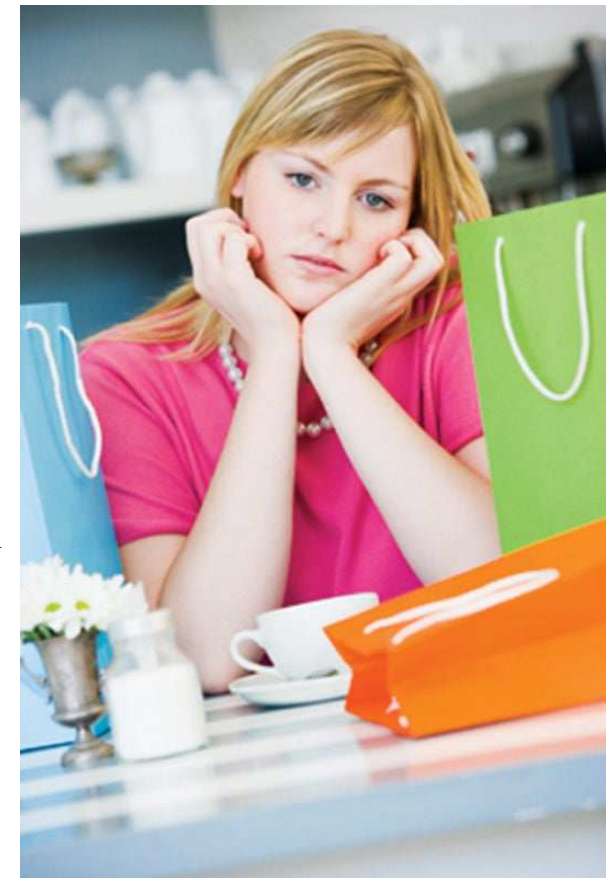
## Who Owns Your Home?

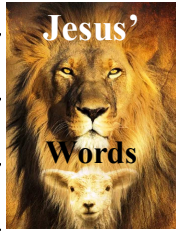
*All that is in heaven and in earth is Yours. —1 Chronicles 29:11*

My wife and I bought our first home when we moved to a new pastorate. During my years in the pastorate, a home had always been provided. I remember the feeling when I signed a 30-year mortgage. It seemed that I was committing myself to a lifetime of debt.

Another thought has gripped me recently—I'll never own my home, even when the mortgage is paid off. You see, God is the real title holder. Everything belongs to Him.

These musings raise a vital issue in our highly materialistic culture. We as Christians must recognize that God is the rightful owner of our possessions, or they will be a cause of





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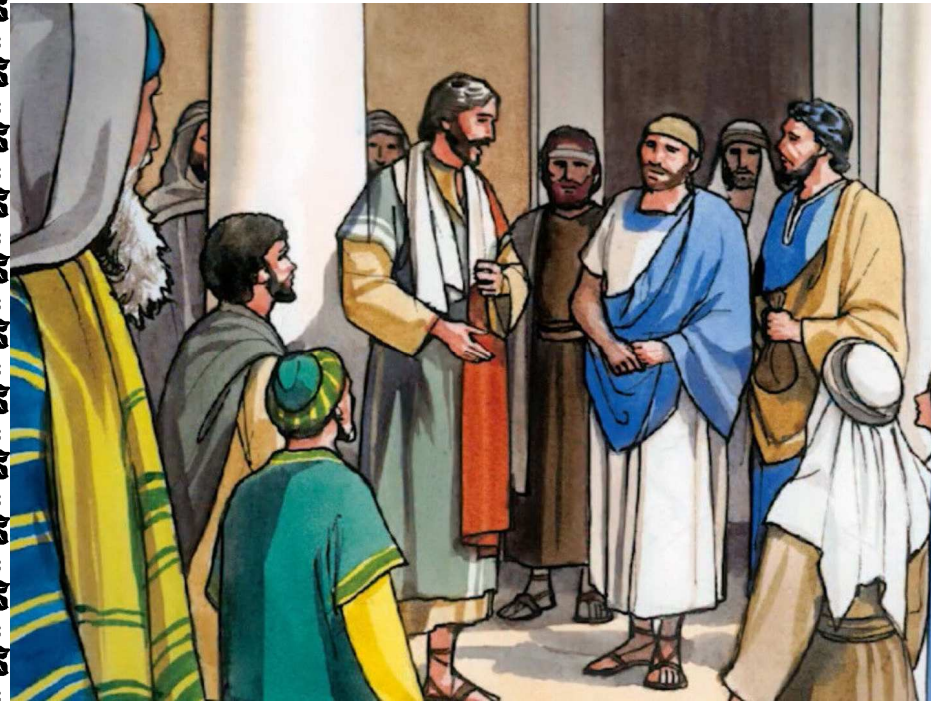


From Luke 16 we can make 7 statements about money (over two weeks):

1. Money is \_\_\_\_\_, verses 1-9, 11  
*(1 Timothy 6:10) For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, ...*

2. Money is a \_\_\_\_\_, verses 9-10  
*(1 Corinthians 16:2) On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, ...*  
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3. Money is a \_\_\_\_\_, verses 11-12  
*(Luke 4:18) "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR; HE HAS SENT ME TO HEAL THE BROKENHEARTED, TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET AT LIBERTY THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED;*



*(Luke 16:10) He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; ...*