

6-SESSION
BIBLE STUDY

GOD OWNS IT ALL

FINDING CONTENTMENT AND
CONFIDENCE IN YOUR FINANCES

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WORKSHOP INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS

We are so pleased to be able to offer you this God Owns It All companion Workshop. We hope that this will be a blessing to you and your church.

This resource is intended to be used as a speech at a kickoff event for the God Owns It All small group Bible study curriculum. It can be used as a standalone resource, but it sets up a lot of ideas that are further explored in the God Owns It All curriculum. We believe that most attendees at your event will want and need the opportunity to go deeper into God's word to see what He says about stewardship, giving, and finances.

Here are a few keys to understanding the way this resource should be used:

- Instructions within the resource are set off in green text. These will help guide you through the resource.
- Each section includes information that has been provided to you for you to communicate it. It is suggested that you understand the information provided well enough before the event that you can put it into your own words and not have to rely on the tool as a script. You may use it as a script, but our experience tells us that most people do not like being read to. Our recommendation is that you study the tool and create an outline that makes you comfortable with the material that you will deliver. We want you to make it sound like you.
- Section 2 of the Introduction is an opportunity for you to tell you your own money story. The questions there are intended to spark your mind as you prepare. This is a great opportunity for you to introduce yourself to your audience and to personalize this message.
- The entire speech should last no more than 45 minutes. The material provided is MORE than you will need, so you will need to make some decisions. Each of the illustrations can be modified or left out altogether. We do not think you will have time to use all of the illustrations. Feel free to shorten the sections as you see appropriate. Some suggested time breakdowns are provided on the next page.
- There is a participant listening guide and some PowerPoint slides that are provided as a part of this resource. Use these as you best see fit.

We would like to thank you again for your passion and your desire for God's word. Your church will be blessed by your faithfulness in serving in this area. Please remember that your event is NOT a place to solicit business and you should NOT present the material with that end in mind. If you are using this resource simply to build your business, we would kindly ask you to refrain from teaching this material. This needs to be about the audience's heart for God and if you are seeking something from them it will taint the experience for everyone.

TIME BREAKDOWN

1. INTRODUCTION [10 MIN.]

- A. Introduction [1 min.]
- B. Your Money Story [5 min.]
- C. Sketch Effect Video [4 min.]

2. PERSPECTIVE [13 MIN.] + [5 MIN. ILLUSTRATIONS]

- A. Introduction [30 sec.]
- B. How Rich Do You Feel? [4 min.]
- C. Behavior Follows Belief [1 min.]
- D. Iceberg Diagram [1 min.] + [1 min. illustration]
- E. Worldview [6 min.] + [4 min. illustrations]

3. PRINCIPLES [23 MIN.] + [9.5 MIN. ILLUSTRATIONS]

- A. What Does the Bible Say? [2 min.] + [1.5 min. illustration]
- B. Live [7 min.] + [1 min. illustration]
- C. Give [4 min.] + [2 min. illustration]
- D. Owe Debt [4 min.] + [2 min. illustration]
- E. Owe Taxes [2 min.]
- F. Grow [4 min.] + [3 min. illustrations]

4. CONCLUSION [2 MIN.]

As you can see if you were to simply read what is provided to you there would be approximately 1 hour of content. We suggest that you follow our outline and points, but modify it in a way that fits the time you have available and your audience. Some of the best places to trim time will come in choosing and paraphrasing the illustrations, simplifying the lifestyle discussion under Principles/Live, and shortening the Principles/Grow section.