

# DEBT CEILING

## Week 1: God's Part/Our Part

### God's Part

We must recognize God as \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ belongs to God and I own \_\_\_\_\_. (Deuteronomy 10:14)
- God controls \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Chronicles 29:11-12)
  - God owns \_\_\_\_\_.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ is the only one that gives riches.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ rules all of mankind.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ makes men great at his discretion.
- God controls \_\_\_\_\_. (Proverbs 21:1)

We must recognize God as \_\_\_\_\_. (Philippians 4:19)

- God is both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
*God is predictable in that He promised to provide, but He is unpredictable in how He will provide. We must be careful not to put limits on God's methods while expecting His provision for our lives.*
- Three ways that He may provide
  - \_\_\_\_\_.
  - \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He may \_\_\_\_\_ our limited resources.

### Our Part

We must allow God to be \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 14:33)

- We are simply \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

We must put our \_\_\_\_\_ in God. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

- \_\_\_\_\_ recognize that \_\_\_\_\_ is from the \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Timothy 1:7)  
*Fear will paralyze us and prevent us from trusting God. Fear is the opposite of faith. God is moved by faith. Reference Hebrews 11:6 which tells us that it is impossible to please God without faith.....*
- \_\_\_\_\_ what God has already done. (1 Samuel 17:33-37)



*In trusting God we must remind ourselves of all the times that God has already provided. We have to go back and review our "faith file" to be reminded of his provision in the past.*

We must learn to be \_\_\_\_\_. (Philippians 4:12-13)

- We must be satisfied with \_\_\_\_\_ being \_\_\_\_\_.  
*All that I have right now is "enough" and I'm content with it and it's "enough". It's the attitude that if God doesn't do anything else...I'm okay with that because He has already done enough.*

### **Growth Group Discussion Questions**

1. Evaluate your attitude of ownership toward your possessions. Do you consistently recognize the true owner of those possessions? Give one practical suggestion to help recognize God's ownership.
2. Share a testimony of how God has provided for you.
3. How would you describe your level of contentment with your life right now?
4. What principle from tonight's lesson personally impacted you the most?

### **Homework Assignment:**

- Keep track of all your spending this week beginning today, Wed, 9.14.11 through next Wed., 9.21.11. *You may document spending on excel spreadsheet, cell phone, journal, etc – be sure to keep all receipts.*

