

# DEBT CEILING

## Week 2: Power of Planning

### **Have a Plan.**

- Your Plan B is God's Plan A. (Proverbs 16:9)
- Every good plan has three parts
  - A \_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 29:18, KJV)
  - A \_\_\_\_\_
  - A \_\_\_\_\_ (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

### **Document Your Plan.**

- Sit down and write it down. (Luke 14:28)
  - An \_\_\_\_\_ plan is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - January 1, 2013
- BUDGET! BUDGET! BUDGET! (Leviticus 27:30-35)
  - Know your **A** \_\_\_\_\_, **L** \_\_\_\_\_, **I** \_\_\_\_\_, and **E** \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Liability - something for which one is liable; an \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.
- Absent of a written plan, your giving will suffer (2 Corinthians 9:7)
  - Debt will make you \_\_\_\_\_ to give.
  - Life will make your giving \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Share Your Plan.**

- Be \_\_\_\_\_ to someone other than yourself. (Proverbs 27:17)
- \_\_\_\_\_ to find your accountability partner. (Proverbs 14:7-8)
  - Align yourself with wisdom.
  - Avoid financial fools!
- No shame in \_\_\_\_\_.



## **Live Your Plan.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ comes with your new discipline. (Hebrews 12:11-13)
- Follow the model of \_\_\_\_\_!

### **Group Discussion**

1. What did you learn from tracking your expenses over the past week?
2. When was the last time that you developed an individual/family plan for your finances, including tithing and paying down debt?
3. Are you comfortable sharing your financial situation with your accountability partner and/or small group? If no, why not?
4. Give a testimony on when you aligned with a plan from God and were successful.
5. What principle from tonight's lesson personally impacted you the most?

### **Homework Assignment**

1. Pray about God's plan for your finances, write out a spending plan (create a budget).
2. Develop your long term financial goals, write it down and be prepared to share your goals.

