

A script from



“Meet the Stewards”

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- What** A husband and wife have different perspectives on how to spend their money.
(Themes: Marriage, Responsibility, Stewardship, Money, Spending, Priorities)
- Who** Husband
Wife
- When** Present
- Wear
(Props)** Checkbook
Chair
- Why** 1 Corinthians 16:2; Malachi 3:10
- How** This skit is more TV sitcom than stage drama. Make it conversational and fun.
- Time** Approximately 6-8 minutes

Bill is sitting in his chair watching TV. Kim enters with the checkbook.

- Kim:** Hey, hon. I was balancing our checkbook and I was hoping you could help me with a couple of entries here. I don't really understand them.
- Bill:** Sure, go for it.
- Kim:** Okay, there are three. One is from Circuit City, one from Tweeter, and there's one that's illegible - I can't make out what it is.
- Bill:** Okay, the Circuit City, that was because I bought some speakers.
- Kim:** Okay. You spent a thousand dollars on some speakers.
- Bill:** Hold on, honey. Not just some speakers. Those are Bose speakers. Don't even worry your pretty little head about it. The deal is I needed the speakers because I bought a high-end receiver and the high-end receiver goes with the speakers.
- Kim:** Okay, so that would be the Tweeter entry.
- Bill:** Yes, I bought a receiver from Tweeter. Hey that kind of rhymes.
- Kim:** Yeah, ha ha. You spent eight hundred dollars on a receiver from Tweeter.
- Bill:** Well you don't need to look at that you way. You need to look at it this way—what I did was I bought the *family* a home theatre system where we could plug in our iPod, we could plug in our HD Blue Ray Disc DVD player that I got...the sound is going to be so incredible! I mean multi-channel, multi-coded, equalizer...I mean you could have the capacity to watch Oprah like you've never watched Oprah before.
- Kim:** Do we really need all that?
- Bill:** Well, we do if we're going to enjoy our new TV! Yea!
- Kim:** Okay, that would be the illegible entry here.
- Bill:** You can't read that? That says "surprise for my sweetie". See I wrote that because I didn't buy it out of our checking account. I was responsible with our money, so I wrote that so when you saw it you'd know you got a surprise. (*he's really trying to dig himself out here*) Surprise!
- Kim:** So, where did the money come from?
- Bill:** Uh...okay, okay. It came from Best Buy. I got your surprise from Best Buy.
- Kim:** Okay, let me rephrase the question: Where did the money come from?!

- Bill:** Valid question. Okay, see, I was at Best Buy and I got out the checkbook and the guy there he said, "hey, hey why don't you get a Best Buy credit card?" And I said, "You know what, I don't roll that way" right? And he said, "No, no 12 months no interest and no payment" and I'm like "Sign me up"! Booya! *(hold his hand up for a high five; she just looks at him)* So we get to enjoy it for a year.
- Kim:** Yeah, in your attempt to be "responsible" with our money you forgot to write down how much you put on credit.
- Bill:** Can you really put a price on how much joy we're going to experience with a Sony 52" HD plasma TV?
- Kim:** How much, Bill?
- Bill:** \$3200.
- Kim:** What?!
- Bill:** Look, in my defense, I looked all afternoon and it really was the best buy!

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- Bill:** Look, I never had anything as a kid!
- Kim:** What?
- Bill:** We never had much. It was always hand-me-downs and people feeling sorry for us and giving us stuff. My dad worked so hard and he was never happy. So I always said to myself that when I'm older I'm going to enjoy life. I'm going to enjoy the things that I have. So that's why I get a lot of stuff. It may not make a lot of sense, but it's just the way I do it.
- Kim:** I know that, but it doesn't matter. If we have any kind of hope for our future and for our kids we have got to stop living beyond our means. We have to be responsible with what we already have. God has given us so much already. And we've got to take care of the stuff we already have. We have to tithe. We have to give it back, okay?
- Bill:** I hear everything you're saying, sweetheart. That's one thing I can start doing right now is giving away my ties to the church and to the less fortunate. *(Kim is confused)*
- Kim:** Ti-thes. Th. Not ties, like you wear. Tithes. 10%.

Bill: I'm sorry. All of this is coming at me so fast. It's like an accelerated course. One thing I can do right now is I can take everything back, because it's important to me that when we're old and grey you can look at me and say "Bill, you really took care of us, you took care of our family, you took care of our family. We really did have two pickles to rub together".

Kim: You mean two nickels.

Bill: Is that how you say that? Boy, this is going to be really tough.

The End. Lights out.