

MENTOR PREPARATION GUIDE – STEWARDSHIP: FINANCES AND TIME

Before this session, you'll need to:

- Pick your book for the NEXT session and have copies to distribute at the meeting.
- Print copies of mentee homework assignment and any other documents that are referred to on the homework assignment sheet. If there are additional handouts for next session, you'll want to mention these when you give out the materials, so they'll be aware of any extra work for the month.
- Prepare your place where the group will gather.
- Plan your agenda and lay out your timeline for the session.
- Your Story
 - So many people grew up never being taught the truth, that we are stewards, not owners, of our time and money. Our culture puts so much value on acquiring things, building wealth, and busyness without realizing the toll that takes on our families. These women desperately need to see lived out before them women, couples, and families who are living for eternity and not for this temporary life; recognizing that all we have comes from God and is to be used for His glory.
 - Spend some time thinking through the journey God has had you on in this area. If your focus this month is on finances: What are some mistakes you learned from, the ways God has stretched you learning to trust Him in your finances, and changes He's asked you to make? How have you and your husband learned to handle your finances? Finances is one of the major causes of divorce, so this month could make a huge difference in marriages and families!
 - If your focus is on time: What are some mistakes you've learned from on how you spend your time? What has been the cost of living a margin-less life at times or as an ongoing lifestyle . . . in relationships, emotional health, physical health, stress, and financial strain? How have you learned to set limits on the use of technology and allowed it to serve you instead of it consuming your time?
- Prepare the Peer Challenge Assignment pairings for your group.
- As you plan for this month's meeting, you may want to remind your mentees to continue to work on their Personal Ministry Plans. God may be using this month's topic to help them on this year long journey to evaluate, process and put the pieces together for their own personal ministry plan.

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- It's good to meet one-on-one with each woman every 3 months, if possible. The one-on-one time is very helpful in 1) building your relationship with each woman, 2) getting feedback on how the mentoring experience is going, and 3) providing an opportunity for her to share anything on a more personal level that she doesn't feel comfortable sharing in the group. Look at your calendar and come up with dates and times you're available. You may want to write these on a sheet of paper to pass around your group for the women to select one and write their name beside it.
- Pray for each of your women. Pray specifically that the truth they study this month will get deeply rooted in their hearts and minds so that they will live as stewards, and be freed from that which our culture pushes; acquiring riches that do not last. Ask God to grow them into the women He designed them to be.