

**SERIES: Extreme Life Makeover**  
**Message: Discover the Cost**  
*What Budget Works Well for You*  
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**GOD CALLS US TO BE \_\_\_\_\_  
OF OUR LIVES.**

**Luke 14:27-33** And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup>Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it? <sup>29</sup>For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, <sup>30</sup>saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' <sup>31</sup>Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup>If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. <sup>33</sup>In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.

**THREE STEPS TO STEWARDSHIP**

**STEP ONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **WHAT YOU'VE**  
\_\_\_\_\_. (COUNT IT)

**STEP TWO:** \_\_\_\_\_ **WHAT TO** \_\_\_\_\_ **IT**  
**TO.** (BUDGET IT)

**"Measure Twice Cut Once" Carpenter's Rule**

A Simple Budget:

Give God \_\_\_\_% **Malachi 3:10** Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."

Save \_\_\_\_% **Proverbs 21:20** - "In the house of the wise are stores of choice food and oil, but a foolish man devours all he has."

Live on \_\_\_\_% **2 Thessalonians 3:7-9** For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone's food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to make ourselves a model for you to follow.

**STEP THREE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FOR WHAT YOU WANT**  
**TO** \_\_\_\_\_. (CUT IT)

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