



# POSSESSIONS - A HAND AND HEART ALIGNMENT

Dwelling Place Church  
Vision: Manifesting Christ in  
Many Ways to Many People

Proverbs 17:16 – Why is there in the hand of a fool the purchase price of wisdom, Since he has no heart for it?

Proverbs 3:9 - Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase;

## I. INTRODUCTION

- a. American Pickers
- b. The Great Depression
- c. Generational Worldviews
- d. The Tyranny of the Small Picture – Gregg Easterbrook
- e. "As ever more material things become available and fail to make us happy, material abundance may even have the perverse effect of instilling unhappiness-because it will never be possible to have everything that economics can create." Gregg Easterbrook

## II. POSSESSIONS

- a. God is said to have possessions.  
Psalms 104:24 - O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions—
- b. The wicked are portrayed as greedy for possessions.  
Proverbs 1:13 - We shall find all kinds of precious possessions, We shall fill our houses with spoil;
- c. Possessions can be wasted.  
Luke 15:13 - And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living.
- d. We can either dishonor or honor the Lord with our possessions.  
Proverbs 3:9 - Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase;
- e. We are called to possess our possessions, not our possessions possess us.  
Obadiah 1:17 - "But on Mount Zion there shall be deliverance, And there shall be holiness; The house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.
- f. We are called to contentment and away from covetousness.  
Hebrews 13:5 - Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

## III. POSSESSIONS AND PURPOSE

- a. Your life consists of the amount of His life that you possess.  
Luke 12:15 - And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."
- b. We are not to be rich in possessions, but poor toward God. (Lk 12:16-21)
- c. How do I possess this possession for the glory of the Father?  
How do I possess this possession for others?
- d. We over value possessions when we live the lie that we are undervalued by God.  
Luke 12:24 – Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap, which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds?
- e. God possessed wisdom before He created His possessions. He was clear on His purpose before He gained possessions.
- f. Wisdom is displayed when our heart and our hands are aligned with God's purpose.  
Possessions are to fall into this alignment of purpose, not hinder it.
- g. Our possessions are never to hinder us from following the Lord; from living on mission.  
Mark 10:22 But he was sad at this word, and went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

# WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at [dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com](mailto:dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com).

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

## GROUP

**Sunday, November 21 -  
Connect Group Night**

Our connect groups will be meeting all over the area this evening. If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

## GATHER

**Sundays in November -  
Three P's in a Pod  
9:30a + 11:15a**

In this series, we will examine three topics that we face regularly in our in our life with Christ: prayer, problems, and possessions. How did Jesus pray and what can He teach us about prayer? How can we handle the onslaught of problems that life throws our way? What do the scriptures teach us in our relationship to the possessions we own? Join us all month long!

## GO

**Saturday, December 4,  
5p - 8p - Christmas Jubilee  
and Parade of Lights**

Join us as we serve the City of Woodstock at their annual Christmas Jubilee and Parade of Lights. We will have a tent with crafts for the kids, as well as a float in the Drive-Thru Parade. If you would like to serve at this event, please sign up now at the Next Steps table in the lobby.

## GROW

**Thursday, January 6, 7p - 9p  
Launch of our Winter  
Semester of Growth Phases**

Our next session of Growth Phases kicks off on January 6th! Be sure to get signed up now at the Next Steps table.

## GIVE

**"His Blueprint" Capital  
Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!**

We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022

\$220,000

Commitment Levels:

One time Legacy Gifts

20K - Gold Legacy Gift

10K - Silver Legacy Gift

1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges

\$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.