

### **SMALL GROUP RESOURCE:**

Everything we have belongs to God.

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Genesis 1

Genesis 2

Psalm 24

Psalm 50

Matthew 25:14-30

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

In the parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14-30) who is free and who is stuck?

Why is it we tend to find ourselves stuck in life and in need of freedom?

Who are the people you seek out for advice when you're in need of help? Why?

If Jesus was just a phone call away, what advice would He give you? Why would he have such good advice?

What is holding you back from giving God complete control over particular areas of your life? What areas of your life are difficult to release control of?

What difference would it make if you really recognized God as the owner of everything?

### **PRAYER FOCUS:**

Praise God for His generosity

Agree with God about the things you consider yours  
that are really His

Thank God for the things He lets you manage

Ask God to show you the way out of where you're stuck

### **FAMILY RESOURCE**

Big Idea: Everything we have belongs to God.

### **READ GENESIS 1:1**

Who made the earth?

Make something out of playdough.

Where did what you made come from?

Who owns it? Why?

### **READ GENESIS 2:15**

What did God want man to do?

Take care of something God has given you.

Clean the house or wash the car together.

### **READ PSALMS 24:1**

Make a list of things in the world that God owns.

### **READ MATTHEW 24:45-47**

What happens when we take good care of God's things?

Go out for ice cream after you've done a chore together.

### **READ MATTHEW 24:48-51**

What happens when we start to think that God's things are ours to do with as we please?

Make signs that say "God owns this"

and put them on things you have trouble sharing.

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

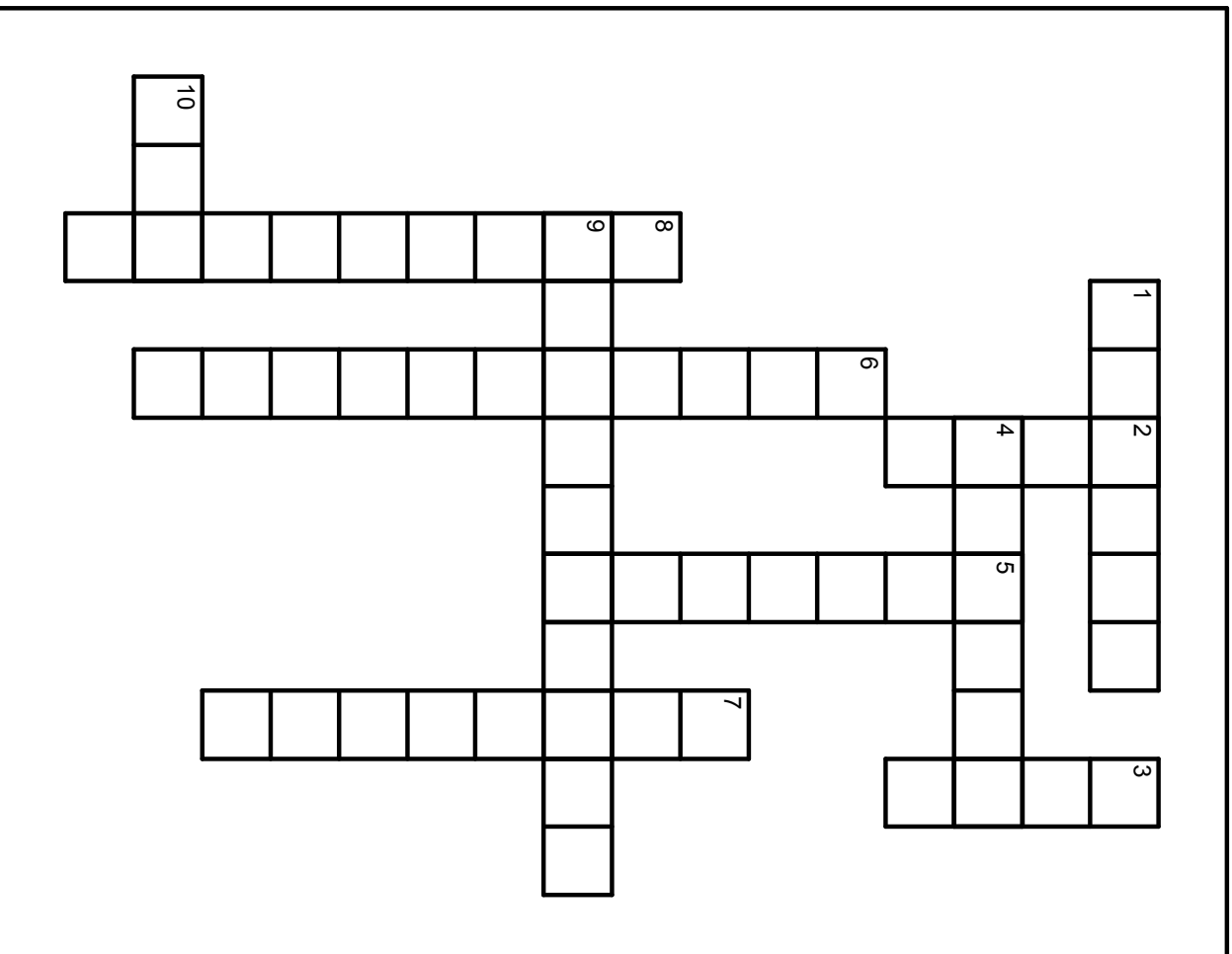
So if the \_\_\_\_\_ sets you \_\_\_\_\_,  
you will be \_\_\_\_\_ indeed.

John 8:36 (NIV)

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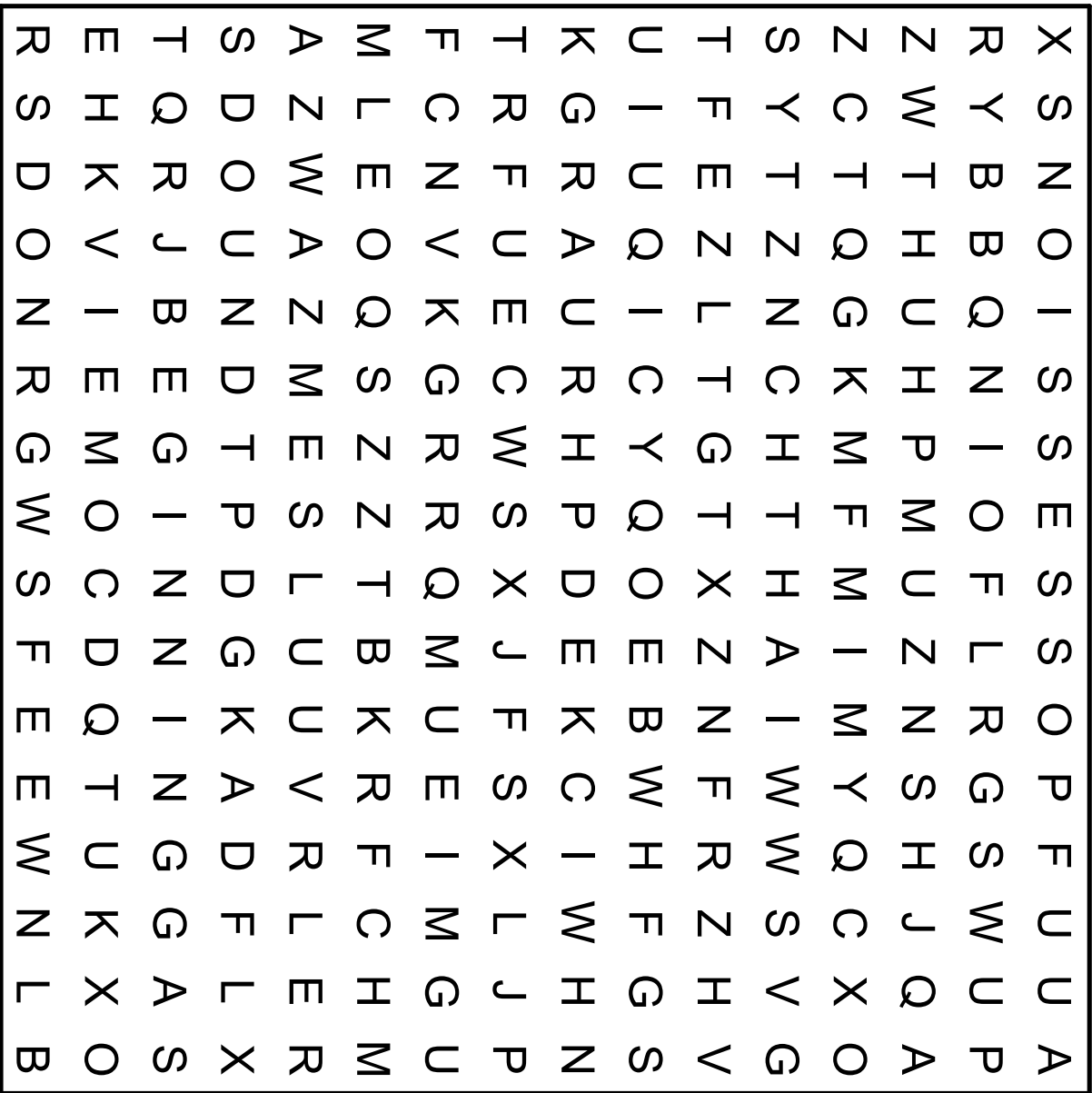
## Across

1. disobedient and evil  
(Matthew 24:48)
4. owner (Matthew 24:45)
9. all (Psalm 24:1)
10. God gave him a job  
(Genesis 2:15)

## Down

2. return (Matthew 24:45)
3. job (Genesis 2:15)
5. he can be wise or wicked  
(Matthew 24:45,48)
6. things that are owned  
(Matthew 24:47)
7. obedient (Matthew 24:45)
8. start (Genesis 1:1)

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everything

possessions

wicked

man

servant

master

faithful

come

beginning

work