A script from



"Meet the Stewards"

by Eddie James

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 Checkbook

(Props) 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 multichannel, 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!

Kim: You are so wrapped up in stuff! Do you not see that? Your self-esteem is

based on what we have, not who we are.

Bill: No it's not.

Kim: Yes it is!

Bill: No it's not.

Kim: If you don't stop this we're not going to be able to put our kids through

college.

Bill: Kids? I'm joking! I know we have kids. We have our daughter and we

have our son...

Kim: ...Billy.

Bill: Billy, right. I know we've got to worry about our daughter because she's

really smart. But, Billy, really he's not the sharpest knife in the drawer, if

you know what I'm saying.

Kim: He is in all accelerated classes.

Bill: See?

Kim: That means he's smart.