

Handbook for Business

Who owns everything and who owns nothing?

That's right, you, me...we own nothing because Jesus owns EVERYTHING.

Each has been given a small portion to manage on His behalf...including the business you run.

* So, be careful you're not usurping His assets for your own benefit.

Our primary mission in life is to believe the gospel; then to see God's kingdom advance by sharing the gospel...on the way through He promises to meet all our needs (**Matthew 6:33**).

* I can't see Jesus on judgement day saying, *"well done, good and faithful servant; you built an impressive portfolio and became financially independent"*

Quite the opposite! So, let's stop deceiving ourselves. Whatever you think you own, you don't. Jesus could declare your stewardship role over like He did with the rich farmer in **Luke 12:20**.

And here's another truth - if you own nothing, you can't lose anything...even though you may lose your stewardship role over an asset.

OR, your business could be taken by the *"merchants of the earth"* because their Babylonian system has already usurped ownership & control of just about everything - the money, banks, corporations, governments, nations...and bodies and souls of men (**Rev 18:11-13**).

* And too many business owners have been enticed and trapped in their worldly ways where love of self and money reigns (**2 Timothy 3:2**).

...That's why Jesus commands us to, *"...come out of her [i.e., Babylon] my people..."* (**Rev 18:4**).

My counsel for business owners:

By all means, as His steward manager...build a business, a great business, but do so for God's glory, not yours...and when you do, you will be abundantly blessed.

HANDBOOK COUNSEL for today: **1 Corinthians 10:26**

"For the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof"

Other Scriptures...

Psalms 24:1, *"The earth is the LORD's, and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein"*

Job 41:11, *"...Who hath done before Me...whatsoever is under the whole heaven is Mine"*

Revelation 4:11, *"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are, and were created"*

Proverbs 16:4, *"The LORD hath made all things for Himself..."*

Matthew 6:33, *"...seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you"*