



The Proud Party Host

CASE STUDY 10

Sam and Juanita want to upgrade to a larger, newer home. They have an offer on one, but the seller hasn't accepted it. The seller's asking price is above their budget and their preapproved loan amount.

Juanita is determined to get the house. It has all the upgrades and amenities she wants and the location is perfect. Sam is nervous about overextending their budget and strapping themselves to an expensive mortgage.

"I just don't think this is good stewardship, Juanita," Sam warned. "I would like us to consider the house as a matter of prayer. This is a really big step. It would limit us financially if we were somehow able to get the loan."

"Actually, I called and talked to the lender," Juanita interrupted. "She said we could probably get the loan we needed. I was so excited. I told her you would call her and get it set up. Just think, in a few weeks we could finally be in the house we have always wanted! I'll be able to host parties and be proud of my house!"

1. Describe Sam's approach to the new home. Why is he concerned about seeking God's will?
2. What are Juanita's concerns?
3. Review Genesis 27:1–34, 41. Which of the characters, if any were, concerned about God's will?
4. What does concern for God's will look like in the life of a believer?
5. How might a concern for God's will be evident in a believer's life?
6. How will you actively seek God's will in your life?