

## 15. Sample Roof Crasher Lesson: Consumer or Investor

Let's talk about the concept of living our lives as consumers or investors.

- What is a consumer?  
Common dictionary definition: "A person who purchases goods and services for personal use. A person or thing that eats or uses something."
- What is an investor?  
Common dictionary definition: "Someone who commits capital in order to gain financial returns."
- What are some synonyms of consumer?  
Taker, user, served, red, self-focused
- What are some synonyms of investor?  
Giver, selfless, feeder, servant
- What does a *friendship* look like if you are a consumer? An investor?
- What does a *marriage* look like if you are a consumer? An investor?
- What does *employment* look like if you are a consumer? An investor?
- What does a *child with his or her parents* look like if you are a consumer? An investor?
- Is this natural or easy?
- What does the Bible say? Let's look at some scriptures.

Ask someone to read Galatians 5:13–15. Next, ask another to read Philippians 2:3–4.

Based on these passages, as leaders, are we meant to be consumers, where people serve us and our needs, or investors in others and their needs?