

οἰκονομία – management, stewardship

[UBS] οἰκονομία, ας f management of a household; task, work, responsibility; (divine) plan ([Eph 1.10](#); [3.9](#); [1 Tm 1.4](#))

[Fri] οἰκονομία, ας, ἡ (1) literally, relating to the task of an οἰκονόμος (*steward*) in household administration *stewardship, management* ([LU 16.2](#)); (2) figuratively; (a) of the apostolic office in God's redemptive work *task, responsibility, trusteeship* ([CO 1.25](#)); (b) of God's arrangements for mankind's redemption *plan, arrangement, purpose* ([EP 3.9](#)); [1T 1.4](#) may mean (*divine*) *training*, but (*divine*) *plan* is also possible

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30.68 οἰκονομία, ας f: a plan which involves a set of arrangements (referring in the NT to God's plan for bringing salvation to mankind within the course of history) - 'purpose, scheme, plan, arrangement.' αἵτινες ἐκζητήσεις παρέχουσιν μάλλον ἢ οἰκονομίαν θεοῦ τὴν ἐν πίστει 'these promote controversies rather than God's plan, which is by faith' [1 Tm 1.4](#); φωτίσαι πάντας τίς ἡ οἰκονομία τοῦ μυστηρίου 'to make all people see what his secret plan is' [Eph 3.9](#).

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[LS] οἰκονομία, ἡ, *the management of a household or family, husbandry, thrift*, Plat., etc.; and οἰκονομικός

[Thayer] οἰκονομία, οἰκονομίας, ἡ (οἰκονομέω), from Xenophon, and Plato down, "the management of a household or of household affairs; specifically, the management, oversight, administration, of others' property; the office of a manager or overseer, stewardship": [Luke 16:2-4](#); hence, the word is transferred by Paul in a theocratic sense to the office (duty) intrusted to him by God (the lord and master) of proclaiming to men the blessings of the gospel, [1 Cor. 9:17](#); ἡ, οἰκονομία τοῦ Θεοῦ, *the office of administrator (stewardship) intrusted by God*, [Col. 1:25](#). universally, *administration, dispensation*, which in a theocratic sense is ascribed to God himself as providing for man's salvation: αἵτινες ... ἡ οἰκονομίαν Θεοῦ τὴν ἐν πίστει, which furnish matter for disputes rather than the (knowledge of the) dispensation of the things by which God has provided for and prepared salvation, which salvation must be embraced by faith, [1 Tim. 1:4](#) L T Tr WH; ἣν πρόεθετο ... καιρῶν, which good will he purposed to show with a view to (that) dispensation (of his) by which the times (namely, of infancy and immaturity cf. [Gal. 4:1-4](#)) were to be fulfilled, [Eph. 1:9f](#); ἡ οἰκονομία τῆς χάριτος τοῦ Θεοῦ τῆς δοθείσης μοι, that dispensation (or arrangement) by which the grace of God was granted me, [Eph. 3:2](#); ἡ οἰκονομία τοῦ μυστηρίου, the dispensation by which he carried out his secret purpose, [Eph. 3:9](#) G L T Tr WH.*

[LEH] οἰκονομία,-ας [Is 22,19,21](#) *stewardship* Cf. REUMANN 1978, 482-579; 1979, 563-603; 1980, 368-430; 1981, 591-617; 1982, 115-140; SPICQ 1978^a, 612-613; →NIDNTT; TWNT

[GING] οἰκονομία, ας, ἡ *management* of a household, *administration, office* [Lk 16:2-4](#); [Col 1:25](#); *commission* [1 Cor 9:17](#); *stewardship* [Eph 3:2](#). *Plan of salvation* [1:10](#); [3:9](#). *Training in the way of salvation* [1 Ti 1:4](#), * [*economy*] [pg 137]

Luke 16:2 "So he called him and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.'

καὶ φωνήσας αὐτὸν εἶπεν αὐτῷ· τί τοῦτο ἀκούω περὶ σοῦ; ἀπόδος τὸν λόγον τῆς οἰκονομίας σου, οὐ γὰρ δύνη ἔτι οἰκονομεῖν.

Luke 16:3 "Then the steward said within himself, 'What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg.

εἶπεν δὲ ἐν ἑαυτῷ ὁ οἰκονόμος· τί ποιήσω, ὅτι ὁ κύριός μου ἀφαιρεῖται τὴν οἰκονομίαν ἀπ' ἐμοῦ; σκάπτειν οὐκ ἰσχύω, ἔπαιτεῖν αἰσχύνομαι.

Luke 16:4 'I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.'

ἔγνων τί ποιήσω, ἵνα ὅταν μετασταθῶ ἐκ τῆς οἰκονομίας δέξωνταί με εἰς τοὺς οἴκους αὐτῶν.

1 Corinthians 9:17 For if I do this willingly, I have a reward; but if against my will, I have been entrusted with a stewardship.

εἰ γὰρ ἐκὼν τοῦτο πράσσω, μισθὸν ἔχω· εἰ δὲ ἄκων, οἰκονομίαν πεπίστευμαι·

Ephesians 1:10 that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth -- in Him.

εἰς οἰκονομίαν τοῦ πληρώματος τῶν καιρῶν, ἀνακεφαλαιώσασθαι τὰ πάντα ἐν τῷ Χριστῷ, τὰ ἐπὶ τοῖς οὐρανοῖς καὶ τὰ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἐν αὐτῷ.

Ephesians 3:2 if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you,

εἴ γε ἠκούσατε τὴν οἰκονομίαν τῆς χάριτος τοῦ θεοῦ τῆς δοθείσης μοι εἰς ὑμᾶς,

Ephesians 3:9 and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ;

καὶ φωτίσαι [πάντας] τίς ἡ οἰκονομία τοῦ μυστηρίου τοῦ ἀποκεκρυμμένου ἀπὸ τῶν αἰώνων ἐν τῷ θεῷ τῷ τὰ πάντα κτίσαντι,

Colossians 1:25 of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God which was given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God,

ἧς ἐγενόμην ἐγὼ διάκονος κατὰ τὴν οἰκονομίαν τοῦ θεοῦ τὴν δοθείσάν μοι εἰς ὑμᾶς πληρῶσαι τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ,

1 Timothy 1:4 nor give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which cause disputes rather than godly edification which is in faith.

μηδὲ προσέχειν μύθοις καὶ γενεαλογίαις ἀπεράντοις, αἵτινες ἐκζητήσεις παρέχουσιν μᾶλλον ἢ οἰκονομίαν θεοῦ τὴν ἐν πίστει.