



Doc smiled and felt really good inside when he heard the familiar bird song. "Hey there, Wheezer," he said, "happy spring!" For some reason, this mourning dove with the speech impediment comes around to Doc's back yard every spring, and Doc thinks that's just all right. If ol' Wheezer didn't have that distinctive voice, Doc would never know if this bird favored his yard or was just another bird looking for a home. Let's face it, Wheezer looks just like every other dove in town. But he was back and flirting with a good-looking lady dove up on the branches of the locust tree. Doc always

wondered whether doves mate for life, and this was the same Mrs. Wheezer he sees every year, or if Wheezer had to court a new lassie each spring. "I'll have to look it up," Doc said, knowing that he wouldn't. But he did go over to the concrete block wall and clean out the crud from the hollow in the top block by the gate. Doc had put dirt in it years ago, and each spring, the Wheezer family hauled in twigs and grass and made a place to raise their family. And each spring, as Mrs. W. sat on her eggs, it would take Doc a few days before she would tolerate him com-

ing and going through the gate. This was the dove family he was close to. They let him get right up to maybe a foot from the ugly little baby birds each spring, and he was careful never to move quickly or make a noise. That was his contribution, you see, to the putting together of the "Doves in the Concrete Block" family. Wonder how long doves live? Doc thought. Wonder how long old Wheezer will last? I'll have to look it up. No he won't. Brought to you by Saddle Up: A Cowboy Guide to Writing. Have a look. <http://nmsantos.com/Books/Saddle/Saddle.html>

Dave Says

Extravagant Giving, Foolish Spending?

BY DAVE RAMSEY

Dear Dave, My husband and I are debt-free, and we have several hundred thousand dollars in savings. We pay for our children and grandchildren to visit during Christmas each year, but my mother-in-law thinks this is foolish spending. What do you think?



Dave RAMSEY

— Linda

Dear Linda, I'm sure your mom loves you guys a lot, but she's wrong twice on this one. First, she should mind her own business. Second, you guys have obviously worked hard and been extremely smart and disciplined with your finances. For someone in your situation, bringing your family together for one of the most important days of the year isn't foolish on any level. I think it's awful that you're even having this conversation with her. One of my great dreams years ago was to have the ability to do things like that for my family. When I was 22, I worked for a real estate guy who would bring his entire family in from all over the country once a year to go skiing for a week. He and his

wife would pay for everything. They would rent a nice chalet, and spend that time having fun as a family and growing closer together. I sort of borrowed that idea a while back. Once a year we'll take all our kids and their spouses on a nice vacation. We pay for everything, and it's just one of our gifts to them because we love them. So, I think your mom is completely wrong. There are three things you can do with money: spend, save and give. Trust me, giving is the most fun of all!

my personal account. A Visa or Mastercard-branded debit card can be used anywhere credit cards are accepted. And the best part is that you're not borrowing money when you use one. The funds come directly from your checking account. Some hotels might put a temporary hold on your account for the amount in question, so you need to make sure you actually have the money in the bank. But that just makes sense, doesn't it? You shouldn't be traveling without money in the first place. If you're too broke to travel, then you need to stay home. Pretty simple!

— Dave

* Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored four New York Times best-selling books: *Financial Peace*, *More Than Enough*, *The Total Money Makeover* and *EntreLeadership*. His newest book, written with his daughter Rachel Cruze, is titled *Smart Money Smart Kids*. It will be released April 22nd. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

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