

Sample Question and Answer

Q: My daughter is 37, lives in a rented apartment, and buys all the latest fashions for herself and my granddaughter. She doesn't have any money saved toward buying a house and has lots of credit card bills. I have tried talking with her and sent her magazine articles, but she always gets defensive. She's being so foolish, and I'm really worried. What can I do?
Ada, age 59, Atlanta, Georgia

A: As I've mentioned in my book, financial issues are largely a matter of personal choice. Just because you would choose differently doesn't mean that your daughter's choices are wrong for her. She has given you a clear message that she is not interested in your help, so all you can do is step aside and do your best to respect your differences. If she needs help, she'll let you know.

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