

103: Return on Inheritance (ROI) Study Guide

- 1.) What do you think your children's expectations are for your farm distribution?
- 2.) Are expectations different among your children?

Explain.

3.) Have you done anything to manage those expectations?

List what you have said or done.

- 4.) What do you think is a good rate of return for an investment?
- 5.) What is the current rate of return on the net rent income from your land? Rate of Return = (Current Rent Income – Property Tax) ÷ Current Land Value
- 6.) Do you think your "off-farm" heirs will be happy with the rate of return on land?
- 7.) How likely is it that one or more of your heirs would be inclined to sell land that they inherit?
- 8.) How is principle/capital appreciation ever realized for increasing land prices?
- 9.) Challenges or frustrations may arise with children later as they observe their "return on inheritance" (ROI). What would this cause you to do now?
 - a. Lock it up even tighter and "throw away the key".
 - b. Give them a chance to get out at full price.
 - c. Give them a chance to get out at a discounted price.
 - d. Don't give them the land in the first place. Give them something other than land to start with.
 - e. Leave it alone and let the kids figure it out when you are gone.

Explain your answer.