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FREELANCE SIDE HUSTLE

Situation:

You have a small side hustle. You sell handmade products (for example: bracelets, tote bags, or cross-stitch items) through social media.

In the past 3 months:

Total sales: **\$500**

Costs (materials + shipping): **\$150**

Profit: **\$350**

No taxes were automatically taken out because you are not an employee—you are working for yourself (freelancer).

While talking with a friend, they say:

“Don’t worry about it, it’s just a small side hustle. You don’t need to report it.”

But you’ve also heard that all income should be reported.

Discussion Questions:

Does income from a side hustle count as taxable income?

Who is responsible for reporting this income?

What is the difference between a freelancer and an employee when it comes to taxes?

Do you think there is a “small enough” amount that doesn’t need to be reported?

What could happen if this income is not reported?