A Resolve For Every Morning Of The New Year

- I will this day try to live a simple, serene and sincere life;
- Repelling promptly every thought of discontent, anxiety, discouragement, impurity and self-seeking;
- Cultivating cheerfulness, magnanimity, charity, and the habit of holy silence;
- Exercising economy in expenditures, carefulness in conversation, diligence in appointed service, fidelity to every trust;
- And a child-like trust in God.

Bishop John H Vincent (1909)
3 Steps To Moving Forward Spiritually In The New Year

PHIL 3:12-21
Have A “Holy Discontent” with the Present

- Two Areas of Discontent
  - Not yet obtained: (Goal)
  - Not yet perfect: (Mature)

- 4 Goals of Paul
  - Know Him
  - Power
  - Fellowship
  - Resurrection
Develop A Healthy “Memory Loss” For The Past

- Two Decisions Paul made
  - Consider loss
  - Forgetting
- Two Things We lay down from the past
  - Our Sin: (Failures)
  - Our Success
Confession of Sin

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

1 John 1:9

- Sit quietly and prayerfully before God
- Read a passage that lists things God wants you to leave behind
- Prayerfully ask the Holy Spirit to open your eyes to your sin
- Pray though the list he reveals, confessing each one and asking forgiveness
- Thank God for what Jesus did for you on the cross, paying for your sin
Celebration of Success

“And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bare the ark of the covenant stood…”

Joshua

- Celebrate your successes
- Commemorate your successes
Find Real Help For The Future

Join With Others In Following Jesus
~In Ministry
~In Bible Study
~In Accountability
Have A GREAT NEW YEAR By...

- Having a Holy Discontent with present
- Developing a Healthy Memory Loss for Past
- Finding Real Help for the Future

Today Do You Need to...

- Confess a sin
- Pray for a person
- Make a decision
- Take an action