## People of God - Celebrating Good News

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Life resolutions deserve celebrating  $\odot$  and require effort  $\odot$  .

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news (εὐανγέλιον - euangelion) that Jesus is the Messiah.  Acts 5:42 NIV
GOD LOVES = God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.  1 John 4:16 ESV
GOD GAVE = I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve then to me.  1 Corinthians 15:3-5 ESV, 1 Corinthians 15:8 ESV
WE BELIEVE = Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name. <u>John 20:30-31 ESV</u>
WE LIVE = If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here!  2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV
REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. What are the barriers you personally have in being a faithful follower of Christ?

2. What are the benefits of being a Christian that you celebrate the most?