Happy New Year!



Good-bye 2011

2011

Casey Anthony Trial



2011

Japan earthquake and tsunami



2011

The Royal Wedding



2011

Death of Osama bin Laden



2011

Unemployment



2011

Arizona shooting; Gabrielle Giffords



2011

Death of Amy Winehouse



2011

Arab Spring



2011

Libya: Death of Moammar Gadhafi



2011

Occupy Wall Street



New Year's Resolutions

Resolution:

A thing determined upon; a decision as to future action.

New Year's Resolutions

Lose some weight

Hebrews 12:1
"Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,"

New Year's Resolutions

Work out more

Philippians 2:12-13

"So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure."

New Year's Resolutions

Change your diet

1 Peter 2:2
"like newborn babes, long for the pure milk of the word, that by it you may grow in respect to salvation,"

New Year's Resolutions

Get out of debt

Romans 13:8
"Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law."

New Year's Resolutions

Learn something new

Ephesians 5:10
"trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord."

New Year's Resolutions

Help others

1 Peter 4:10
"As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

New Year's Resolutions

Get some help for anxiety

Philippians 4:6-7
"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

New Year's Resolutions

Slow down

James 1:19
"This you know, my beloved brethren. But let everyone be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger;"

New Year's Resolutions

Call your grandparents more

Leviticus 19:32
"You shall rise up before the grayheaded, and honor the aged, and you shall revere your God; I am the LORD."

New Year's Resolutions

Gossip less

Proverbs 20:19
"He who goes about as a slanderer reveals secrets, Therefore do not associate with a gossip."

New Year's Resolutions

Clean out your closet

Ephesians 5:11-12
"And do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret."

New Year's Resolutions

Organize your time

Ephesians 5:15-16
"Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men, but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil."

New Year's Resolutions

Read more

Ezra 7:10
"For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the LORD, and to practice it, and to teach His statutes and ordinances in Israel."

New Year's Resolutions

Have a more positive outlook

Philippians 4:8
"Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things."

New Year's Resolutions

Be more thankful

Ephesians 5:20
"always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father;"

New Year's Resolutions

Reduce alcohol intake

Ephesians 5:18
"And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit,"

New Year's Resolutions

Drink more water

John 4:13-14

"Jesus answered and said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water shall thirst again; but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.'"

New Year's Resolutions

Don't complain so much

Philippians 2:14
"Do all things without grumbling or disputing;"

New Year's Resolutions

Go for a walk each day

Ephesians 4:1
"I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, entreat you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,"

New Year's Resolutions

Put others first

Philippians 2:3-4
"Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others."

New Year's Resolutions

Get away more

1 Corinthians 10:13

"No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, that you may be able to endure it."

New Year's Resolutions

Watch less TV

Psalm 101:3 "I will set no worthless thing before my eyes…"

New Year's Resolutions

Try to be more inclusive in my friendships

James 2:1
"My brethren, do not hold your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with an attitude of personal favoritism."

New Year's Resolutions

Don't be so vain

1 Corinthians 15:58
"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord."

New Year's Resolutions

Plan for success

Joshua 1:8
"This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success."

New Year's Resolutions

Be more defensive

1 Peter 3:15
"but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;"

New Year's Resolutions

Forgive someone

Colossians 3:12-13
"And so, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you."

New Year's Resolutions

Don't respond in anger

2 Timothy 2:24-25

"And the Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth,"

New Year's Resolutions

Be kind to others

Ephesians 4:32
"And be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you."

New Year's Resolutions

Go on a treasure hunt

Jeremiah 29:13
"And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart."

New Year's Resolutions

Think of your future

Jeremiah 29:11
"For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope."

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