

20/20 Vision

EYES WIDE OPEN

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Review



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Lesson aim



To explore what is needed to accomplish goals in 2020.



Explore how God is working in our favor for the future.



Things we should know about planning out future.

Principle #1:

- ▶ **When attempting to develop your Plans and Goals you Should:**
 - ▶ **Seek God's Counsel**
 - ▶ **Start with what He wants for you**
 - ▶ **Submit YOUR desires to HIS will.**



Let's Get Started

MAKING PLANS?

Things You Should Know About You:

- ▶ **The following items apply to Believers ONLY.**
- ▶ **These are things you should know about yourself before setting goals.**
- ▶ **Without them, you will lack the confidence to carry out the goals God gives you.**
- ▶ **These are NOT your goals, but are tied to your goals.**
- ▶ **What year it is does not matter.**

1. Know Yourself - The Gospel:

- ▶ **#1: You should now know whose you are, and where you came from, because it will give you an appreciation for where you are going:**
 - ▶ You were a rebel Against God
 - ▶ You Lusted for things not pleasing to God but to yourself.
 - ▶ You were lost for all eternity.
 - ▶ Jesus came and took your place
 - ▶ You are now Justified, and forgiven. Redeemed by the blood of Jesus.
 - ▶ **If this does not apply to you yet, seek out God's plan and design for you concern this first, because this is where it starts.**

Your position in Christ

▶ Romans 10:13 (NKJV)

▶ ¹³ For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”

▶ John 3:18 (NKJV)

▶ ¹⁸ “He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

▶ 1 John 1:9 (NKJV)

▶ ⁹ If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

2. Victory over Sin – Know Your Rights.

- ▶ **#2: God (through Jesus) didn't just address the consequences of sin, He also addressed the Sin problem.**
 - ▶ A person can still be in bondage to sin in if they don't know this. Sin can still be dominating their mind and actions if they don't know.
 - ▶ The victory comes with the renewing of the mind.
 - ▶ Israel wondered in the wilderness for 40 year because they couldn't get their minds wrapped around the fact that they were now longer in bondage.
 - ▶ Jesus wanted more for you than just forgiveness. He wanted you to have an abundant life!
 - ▶ **Therefore the sin problem must also be addressed (not just the consequences)**

Victory Over Sin – Bible Reference

- ▶ Micah 7:18 New King James Version (NKJV)
- ▶ ¹⁸ Who is a God like You, Pardoning iniquity
And passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He
does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights *in* mercy. [\[a\]](#)
- ▶ Titus 2:12-14 (NKJV)
 - ▶ ¹² teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³ looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.

Victory Over Sin – Bible Reference

- ▶ Romans 6:1-12 (NKJV)
- ▶ 6 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? ² Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? ³ Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
- ▶ ⁵ For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, ⁶ knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be ^adone away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. ⁷ For he who has died has been ^bfreed from sin. ⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, ⁹ knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰ For *the death* that He died, He died to sin once for all; but *the life* that He lives, He lives to God. ¹¹ Likewise you also, ^creckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- ▶ ¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.

Victory Over Sin – Bible Reference

▶ Romans 6:1-12 Amplified Bible (AMP)

- ▶ **6** What shall we say [to all this]? Should we continue in sin *and* practice sin as a habit so that [God's gift of] **[a]** grace may increase *and* overflow? **2** Certainly not! How can we, the very ones who died to sin, *continue to* live in it any longer? **3** Or are you ignorant of the fact that all of us who have been **[b]** baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? **4** We have therefore been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory *and* power of the Father, we too might walk *habitually* in newness of life [abandoning our old ways]. **5** For if we have become one with Him [permanently united] in the likeness of His death, we will also certainly be [one with Him and share fully] *in the likeness* of His resurrection. **6** We know that our old **[c]** self [our human nature without the Holy Spirit] was nailed to the cross with *Him*, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin. **7** For the person who has died [with Christ] has been freed from [the power of] sin.
- ▶ **8** Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live [together] with Him, **9** because we know [the self-evident truth] that Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has power over Him. **10** For the death that He died, He died to sin [ending its power and paying the sinner's debt] once and for all; and the life that He lives, He lives to [glorify] God [in unbroken fellowship with Him]. **11** Even so, consider yourselves to be dead to sin [and your relationship to it broken], but alive to God [in unbroken fellowship with Him] in Christ Jesus.
- ▶ **12** Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts *and* passions.

#3 Presence and Adoption – Know that God Cares.

- ▶ **#3 God has granted us an open invitation into His presence, and adoption into His Family.**
 - ▶ God has invited all the weary and heavy laden to come to Him for rest. We have an open invitation into the presence of God (This applies to all believers) for all eternity.
 - ▶ God has adopted us into His family and provided us with an inheritance because He loves us.
 - ▶ God wants to treat you as His child (despite your past).
 - ▶ **Given this fact, we should be sufficiently grateful and motivated.**

Presence and Adoption – Bible Reference:

▶ John 1:12 New King James Version (NKJV)

- ▶ ¹² But as many as received Him, to them He gave the [\[a\]](#)right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

▶ John 6:35 New King James Version (NKJV)

- ▶ ³⁵ And Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

▶ John 11:26 New King James Version (NKJV)

- ▶ ²⁶ And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?”

Presence and Adoption – Bible Reference:

▶ John 14:12 New King James Version (NKJV)

- ▶ ¹² “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

▶ Luke 17:6 New King James Version (NKJV)

- ▶ ⁶ So the Lord said, “If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

#4: God Has Assignments for Us – The Commision

- ▶ **#4: God has an assignment for EVERY believer. This love relationship is not just one-sided. Because He has done so much for us, it is only right that we be prepared to do the things He asks of us.**
 - ▶ God has an assignment for your future.
 - ▶ Your 2020 plans and goals should include them. He will measure your success by His assignments for you.
 - ▶ His assignments are called “The work of The Kingdom”
 - ▶ Every Christian has Kingdom work to do.
 - ▶ We must all be ready to represent Him, and prepare to represent Him

God Has An Assignment For You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **John 12:26 - New King James Version (NKJV)**
 - ▶ **²⁶ If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor.**
- ▶ **Hebrews 12:28 - New King James Version (NKJV)**
 - ▶ **²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we [\[a\]](#) may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – God will Have your BACK!!

- ▶ **#5: What God will be sending us to do is not possible in our own strength. He therefore wants to dwell in you to accomplish it:**
 - ▶ He will send you as sheep among wolves.
 - ▶ He will ask you to accomplish the impossible
 - ▶ You won't be able to do it in your own strength. But if dwells in you, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE.
 - ▶ God wants you to give Him you! Mind, Body, and Soul. He wants you to take what have and give it to Him.
 - ▶ **So that what you have becomes His, and what He has becomes yours. You, therefore, cannot fail, because he does not fail.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

▶ Matthew 10:16-20 New King James Version (NKJV)

▶ Persecutions Are Coming

- ▶ ¹⁶ “Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless^[a] as doves. ¹⁷ But beware of men, for they will deliver you up to councils and scourge you in their synagogues. ¹⁸ You will be brought before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles. ¹⁹ But when they deliver you up, do not worry about how or what you should speak. For it will be given to you in that hour what you should speak; ²⁰ for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **Matthew 10:16-20 The Message (MSG)**
- ▶ **¹⁶ “Stay alert. This is hazardous work I’m assigning you. You’re going to be like sheep running through a wolf pack, so don’t call attention to yourselves. Be as cunning as a snake, inoffensive as a dove.**
- ▶ **¹⁷⁻²⁰ “Don’t be naive. Some people will impugn your motives, others will smear your reputation—just because you believe in me. Don’t be upset when they haul you before the civil authorities. Without knowing it, they’ve done you—and me—a favor, given you a platform for preaching the kingdom news! And don’t worry about what you’ll say or how you’ll say it. The right words will be there; the Spirit of your Father will supply the words.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **Mark 13:9-11 New King James Version (NKJV)**
 - ▶ **⁹ “But watch out for yourselves, for they will deliver you up to councils, and you will be beaten in the synagogues. You will [\[a\]](#)be brought before rulers and kings for My sake, for a testimony to them. ¹⁰ And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations. ¹¹ But when they arrest you and deliver you up, do not worry beforehand, [\[b\]](#)or premeditate what you will speak. But whatever is given you in that hour, speak that; for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **Paul learned to speak, not by his power, but by the power of the Holy Spirit:**
- ▶ **1 Corinthians 2:13 New King James Version (NKJV)**
 - ▶ **¹³ These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the [\[a\]](#) Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **The Spirit of God dwelling in you gives you the power to be an overcomer!!:**
- ▶ **Ezekiel 36:27 New King James Version (NKJV)**
- ▶ **²⁷ I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do *them*.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **The Spirit of God dwelling in you gives you the power to be an overcomer!!:**
- ▶ **John 14:17 New King James Version (NKJV)**
- ▶ **17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **More – You are Born of the Spirit:**
- ▶ **Romans 8:9 New King James Version (NKJV)**
- ▶ **⁹ But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.**

God Wants To Dwell In You – Bible Reference

- ▶ **More – You are Born of the Spirit:**

- ▶ **1 Corinthians 3:16 New King James Version (NKJV)**
 - ▶ **16 Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?**

- ▶ **1 John 2:26-27 New King James Version (NKJV)**
 - ▶ ²⁶ These things I have written to you concerning those who *try to* **l**deceive you.
 - ▶ ²⁷ But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you **l**will abide in Him.