A NEW YEAR'S DAY COMMISSION 2024

A COMING YEAR IS NOW UPON US, ONE OF PERSONAL CHOICES, DECISIONS AND COMMITMENTS

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

How Not To Survive 2024

LIVING A VICTORIOUS CHRISTIAN LIFE BY BEING EQUIPPED FOR EVERY DAY AND EVERY HOUR AND EVERY MOMENT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

New Year, Hope, Perseverance, Expectation, Maturity, Discipleship, Rapture

Colossians 1:9-14

For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; **10** that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing *Him*, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; **11** strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy; **12** giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. **13** He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed *us* into the kingdom of the Son of His love, **14** in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Personal Issues & the People Around Us.

The little things that have been irritants up until now, will become much bigger things, if we leave them alone, and do not deal with them, according to the word of God.

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1.) Give Up On Your Bible Reading

1 Timothy 4:13-14

Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. **14** Do not neglect the gift that is in you.

2 Timothy 4:3-4

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables

2.) Slow Your Growth

Revelation 3:14-16

"And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God: **15** "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. **16** So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth.

3.) Allow Your Eyes & Ears To Take a Break

This Happens by (IE) Incremental Exposure. It's the proverbial "frog in the water pot" illustration.

Leviticus 10:10

You must distinguish between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean,

2 Corinthians 10:4-6

For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

4.) Stop Trusting God – Do What You Think Is Right

Proverbs 3:5-8

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil. 8 It will be health to your flesh, And strength to your bones.

5.) Keep Thinking About You

Proverbs 4:23

Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it *spring* the issues of (your) life.

Psalm 1:1-2

Blessed *is* the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; **2** But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night.

6.) Start Focusing On Being Bored With What You Have

Look around you. What or Who are the closest Things Near You.

Is it your Bible? _____ Is it your Child? _____ Is it your Husband? _____ Is it your Wife?_____

> Hebrews 5:11c You have become dull of hearing.

no'thros; sluggish, slothful, lazy, bored.

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7.) Let Unproductive Things Steal Your Time

Ephesians 5:14-17

Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light." 15 See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, **16** redeeming the time, because the days are evil. **17** Therefore do not be unwise but understand what the will of the Lord *is*.

Proverbs 24:33-34 nlt

A little extra sleep, a little more slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest - 34 then poverty will pounce on you like a bandit; scarcity will attack you like an armed robber.

8.) Believe In Yourself And Others – We Can Do This!

Proverbs 4:25-27

Let your eyes look straight ahead, and your eyelids look right before you. **26** Ponder the path of your feet, and let all your ways be established. **27** Do not turn to the right or the left; remove your foot from evil.

Joshua 1:3,5-9

Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given you, as I said to Moses 5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you. 6 Be strong and of good courage... 7 Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. 8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. 9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

9.) Be Dumbed Down to The Coming Signs and Indicators

The Symptoms Are These.

You will be the last to know that you're the one being Deceived / Seduced / Led Astray / Taken Away.

The current and coming dynamics of this world will arrive or strike in your life. But the Christian who will survive 2024 will be the Christian who lets these things sharpen him and hone his faith and devotion to God, while the other option is to let the world arrive or strike you - and you allow yourself to become dulled, then bitter, then broken and then defeated.

Hebrews 10:24-25

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, **25** not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as *is* the manner of some, but exhorting *one another*, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

10.) Stop Refilling Your Spiritual Tank

Matthew 25:1-13

"Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. **2** Now five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish. **3** Those who *were* foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, **4** but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. **5** But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. **6** "And at midnight a cry was *heard:* 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' **7** Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. **8** And the foolish said to the wise, "Give us *some* of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' **9** But the wise answered, saying, "*No*, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' **10** And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. **11** "Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' **12** But he answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' **13** "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Your Relationship to the Holy Spirit will determine how this New Year ends for you and those who know you. None of us are an Island.

The 2024 Challenge

Romans 12:1-2

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. **2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

With Hands Held High We Pray Our 2024 Prayer

A montage of Scripture to Pray

LORD, we pray that You would crown this year with Your goodness, and cause Your paths drip with abundance. May you LORD bless us and keep us and LORD please make Your face shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. LORD, we ask you to lift up Your countenance upon us, and give us peace.
Father, may we walk worthy of the calling of being Your own dear children. May we work at it - to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Please cause us to keep Your commandment - that we would love You and one another. And LORD that we would be 100% committed to exalting the name of Jesus this year like never before – that we would speak of His name which is above every name; that at the name of Jesus, we bow our knee, and that with our tongues we will worship, we will pray and we will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father. - and all of God's people said; Amen.

End of Study

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