

*Resolution:*

**“I Resolve To  
Glorify God!”**



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NEW  
YEAR!  
2022





# Top Common Resolutions

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1. Drink Less Alcohol
2. Get a Better Education
3. Get a Better Job
4. Get Fit
5. Lose Weight
6. Manage Debt
7. Manage Stress
8. Quit Smoking Now
9. Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle
10. Save Money
11. Take a Trip
12. Volunteer to Help Others





Resolve To ...  
Resolve Firmly  
With Enormous  
Determination!



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1. Get rid of hindrances / Break bad habits
2. Address neglected duties
3. More time in Bible study
4. More time in prayer
5. Attend more regularly
6. Visit the sick more
7. Get more involved in the church
8. Become more like Jesus
  - a. Righteousness -
  - b. Holiness -
  - c. Love -



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## **PROVERBS 3:5-8 (NKJV)**

**5 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.**





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## PSALM 119:104-106 (NKJV)

<sup>104</sup> Through Your precepts I get understanding; Therefore I hate every false way. <sup>105</sup> Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path. <sup>106</sup> I have sworn and confirmed That I will keep Your righteous judgments.



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## **PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14 (NKJV)**

**<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.**





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**PHILIPPIANS 4:13 (NKJV)**

**<sup>13</sup> I can do all things  
through Christ who  
strengthens me.**



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**THE FOCUS SHOULD  
NOT BE ON  
“WHAT” WE  
WILL DO — BUT  
“WHO WE  
WILL BE!”  
MAT. 23:25,26**





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## 1 Peter 4:1-11 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, <sup>2</sup> that he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but for the will of God. <sup>3</sup> For we *have spent* enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles--when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries.



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<sup>4</sup> In regard to these, they think it strange that you do not run with *them* in the same flood of dissipation, speaking evil of *you*. <sup>5</sup> They will give an account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. <sup>6</sup> For this reason the gospel was preached also to those who are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. <sup>7</sup> But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.





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<sup>8</sup> And above all things have fervent love for one another, for *"love will cover a multitude of sins."* <sup>9</sup> Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup> As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. <sup>11</sup> If anyone speaks, *let him speak* as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, *let him do it* as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.



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# ARM YOURSELVES WITH THE MIND OF CHRIST – (4:1)



- ♦ **Arm** - *equip oneself with the same insight* - (BDAG) - *Aorist Imperative* – *decisive action at a given point*
- ♦ **Put on the attitude and mindset of Jesus** – [*Faith, Courage, Hope*] - (3:18; Phil. 2:5-10; Rom. 13:12-14; Prov. 23:7)
- ♦ **Cease from sin** - If our attitude and thinking is like Jesus' - then doing what we ought will naturally follow – (Heb 5:7-9; 12:1,2; Ezek. 18:31; Rom. 12:1-3; Eph. 4:22-24; Col. 3:1-10)





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NOT LIVING TO PLEASE MEN –  
BUT TO PLEASE GOD – (4:2,3)



### FROM THIS DAY FORWARD

- ♦ **Do NOT live for self or men –**  
(lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries,  
drinking parties, and abominable idolatries),  
such living is a waste of time and life!  
- (4:2,3; Eph. 4:17-24; 5:8-18)
- ♦ **Resolve to strive to please God in all  
we do –** (Rom. 12:1,2; Eccl. 12:13; Eph.  
5:1; Col. 3:17; 1 Ths. 4:1; 1 John 2:15-17),



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# WILLING TO SUFFER REPROACH FROM THE UNGODLY – (4:4-6)



- ♦ **“They think it strange”** – old acquaintances are now persecutors. A changed life provokes hostility from those who reject the gospel - (4:4; 2:12; 3:16; Mat. 5:10-12; Acts 13:45)
- ♦ **“They will give an account”** – (4:5; 2 Thes. 1:7-10; 2 Pet. 2:12; Jude 10)
- ♦ **The gospel gives true life** - The ungodly may condemn – but God gives life – (4:6; 1 Pet. 2:11; 3:19; Heb 11:13)





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# TAKING MY SPIRITUAL DUTIES SERIOUSLY – (4:7-11)



- ◆ **Ready for judgment** – (4:7; 2 Pet. 3:9-11; John 5:28,29; 12:48,49)
- ◆ **“Serious and watchful in prayer”** – (4:7; 5:8; Mt 25:13; Eph 6:18; Col. 4:2)
- ◆ **Fervent love** - (4:8; 1 Pet. 1:22; Col. 3:14; 1 Thes 3:12; Prov. 10:12; Jas. 5:20)
- ◆ **Be hospitable without grumbling** – (4:9; Rom 12:13; Heb. 13:2; Phil 2:14)
- ◆ **Diligent in service as good stewards** – (4:10,11; Rom 12:6-8; 1 Cor. 4:2)



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**HAVE YOU  
BEEN  
BAPTIZED  
INTO CHRIST?  
— LUKE 7:29,30;  
GAL. 3:26,27**

## IF SO:

- ◆ Have you armed yourself with the mind of Christ?
- ◆ Are you living to please men or God?
- ◆ Are you willing to suffer reproach from the ungodly?
- ◆ Are you taking your spiritual duties seriously?







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