



YOU SAY YOU WANT NEW YEARS REVOLUTION

NEW DECISIONS / NEW DIRECTION

Resolution: A decision to do or not do something.

Revolution: To forcibly/intentionally overthrow the authority that controls our lives.

- A revolution in our lives requires new **leadership** for our lives.
- New leadership in our lives changes the **purpose** of our lives.

We know that our old life died with Christ on the cross so that our sinful selves would have no power over us and we would not be slaves to sin. Anyone who has died with Christ is made free from sin's control. Romans 6:6-7 (NCV)

That means you must not give sin a vote in the way you conduct your lives. Don't give it the time of day. Don't even run little errands that are connected with that old way of life. Throw yourselves wholeheartedly and full-time—remember, you've been raised from the dead!—into God's way of doing things. Sin can't tell you how to live. After all, you're not living under that old tyranny any longer. You're living in the freedom of God. Romans 6:12-14 (MSG)

- A spiritual revolution will require us to **come close to God**.

5 ...God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." Hebrews 13:5 (NIV)

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come close to you... James 4:8 (NLT)

But as for me, I get as close to him as I can! I have chosen him, and I will tell everyone about the wonderful ways he rescues me. Psalm 73:28 (TLB)

Coming close to God means:

- Coming close to God means we're **all in**.

Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world. James 4:8 (NLT)

- We need **prayer life** that connects us to God's life.

For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me. Jeremiah 29:12-13 (NLT)

- **Fasting** that disconnects us from the **world**.

When you fast:

- You're not manipulating God, but **surrendering** to God.
- Ask **God** what you should **fast**.
- Expect **results**.

6Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him. Hebrews 11:6 (NLT)

- Make God your greatest **priority**.

let us come near to God with a sincere heart and a sure faith, because we have been made free from a guilty conscience, and our bodies have been washed with pure water. Hebrews 10:22 (NCV)



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain why?
- Are you making resolutions this year? (What are they if you can share)
- How do we experience a new leadership in our lives? How do we establish God as the center of our lives? What does that mean?
- How has God changed the purpose of your life? (Describe what your purpose was before Christ and after Christ?)
- Why do we need to come close to God if God is already close to us?
- What does it mean to you to be "All In" with God?
- How can our prayer life connect us to God in a significant way?
- How does fasting disconnect us from the world? Why is that important?
- Why is fasting important to you? What is God asking you to fast?

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