

Launching Text: Colossians 3:15-17 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

Luke 1:38 (The angel of the Lord told Mary that she would give birth of Jesus, the Son of God, by the Holy Spirit) And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

Preaching Text: Colossians 1:9-14

Introduction: God has a plan for you in the new year and it's outlined in our text. It's the same plan mentioned over and over in the Word with a summation and a culmination that's recorded in Jeremiah 29:11 --- For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end (which is always victory). In this message we will examine God's plan for our life in the new year so we can LET IT BE.

1. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE PRUDENCE OF GOD

(Prudence: wisdom to exercise excellent sound judgment & carry it out)

Text: Colossians 1:9...that you may be filled with the knowledge of His (God's) will in all wisdom.....

1 Corinthians 3:18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seems to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

1. The Desire of God Concerning Wisdom

Matthew 10:16 Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.

2. The Disregard For Godly Wisdom

Proverbs 13:20 He that walks with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

3. The Development of Godly Wisdom

Proverbs 3:7 Be not wise in your own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.

4. The Discharge Of Godly Wisdom

Proverbs 3:35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools.

Proverbs 28:26 He that trusts in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walks wisely, he shall be delivered.

2. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE PERCEPTION OF GOD (Perception: the God kind of faith)

Text: Colossians 1:9...that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom & spiritual understanding;

Number 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

1. Pursue The God Kind Of Perception or Faith

Romans 10:17 So then, faith (or the God kind of perception) comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.

2. Possess The God Kind Of Perception or Faith

Mark 11:22Have faith

3. Position The God Kind Of Perception or Faith

Mark 11:22Have faith in God. Mark 11:23that whosoever shall say unto the mountain...move... & it shall move.

4. Pronounce The God Kind Of Perception or Faith

2 Corinthians 4:13 We having the same spirit of faith (or perception that God has), according as it is written, I believed Therefore have I spoken; we believe and therefore we speak.

Mark 11:23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

5. Pacify With The God Kind Of Perception or Faith

Mark 9:23 And Jesus said unto him (and us), if thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believes.

3. BE IT UNTO ME WITH THE GRATIFICATION WITH THE PATH OF GOD (The Path Of God: Our Walk)

Text: Colossians 1:10 That you might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing,

Amos 3:3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

1. The Desire Of God Concerning Our Walk

Genesis 17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, & said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

Deuteronomy 13:4 Ye shall walk after the Lord your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him.

2. The Disregard For A Godly Walk

Leviticus 26:21 And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

3. The Declaration For A Godly Walk

Psalms 86:11 Teach me thy way, O Lord; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.

Psalms 101:2 I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.

4. The Discharge Of A Godly Walk

1 Kings 3:14 And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.

Psalms 84:11 For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

Psalms 119:45 And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.

Psalms 128:1 Blessed is every one that feareth the Lord; that walketh in his ways.

Psalms 138:7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

WALK IN LOVE, IN THE LIGHT OF REVELATION, LOWLINESS OF MIND, AND IN LINE WITH THE WORD and God will ensure that your life is blessed!

4. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE PRODUCTIVITY OF GOD

Text: Colossians 1:10 ...being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.

John 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

John 4:35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

5. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE POWER OF GOD

Text: Colossians 1:11 Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness: Matthew 19:26....with God all things are possible.

1. The Disparaging Power Of God Through Mankind (made a show of them openly)

Colossians 2:13-14 (And it was Jesus) Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

1. The Dominating Power Of God Through Mankind

Ephesians 47 Neither give place to the devil.

2. The Destroying Power Of God Through Mankind

1-John 3:8 He that commits sin is of the devil; for the devil sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

3. The Dislodging Power Of God Through Mankind

Luke 10:17 (Jesus had appointed 70 and sent them out to minister, just as He does us) And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

5. The Delighting Power Of God Through Mankind

Matthew 10:7-8 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

6. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE PRAISE TO GOD

Text: Colossians 1:12 Giving thanks unto the Father.....

1-Thessalonians 5:18 In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Psalms 15:6 Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

Psalms 22:3 (teaches that God dwells in the pray of His people.)

1. Shabach pronounced sha-bock and it means to shout before the Lord loudly with praise.

1-Sam 4:4-5 So the people sent to Shiloh that they might bring forth the ark of the covenant of the Lord of Hosts which dwelled between the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas were there with the ark of the covenant of God. And when the ark of the covenant of the Lord came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang.

2. Barak pronounced ba-rack and it means to bless the Lord giving honor and adoration by giving great reverence.

Ps 103:1-2 Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord O my soul and forget not all His benefits.

Phil 2:9-11 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him (Jesus), and given Him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of the Father.

3. Yadah pronounced ya'da and means to express thanks to God & to make praise worthy confessions.

Ps 9:1-2 I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all thy marvelous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.

4. Tehillah pronounced te-hil-lah It means to highly extol and exalt with the lifting up of voice & hands & praising God with great emotion & can include singing, dancing, clapping, shouting, and whirling around.

Ps 28:2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle.

Ps 63:4 Thus I will bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.

Ps 34:3 O magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt His name together.

Ps 8:9 O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth.

7. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE PROVISION FROM GOD

Text: Colossians 1:12....which has made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saint in light:

2-Peter 1:3 According as His divine power has given us all things that pertain to life & godliness through the knowledge of Him that has called us to glory (His presence) and virtue (His power).

8. BE IT UNTO ME WITH THE POSITION IN GOD

Text: Colossians 1:13 Who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the Kingdom of His dear Son.

1. Position Of A Righteous Child Of God

2-Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Ephesians 1:5 (Because God loved us, He) Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

2. Position Of A Righteous Ruler For God

Genesis 1:28 And God blessed them (Adam, Eve, & us), and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

3. Position Of A Righteous Radiator By God

Revelation 1:6 And (God) has made us kings (to rule) and priests (to serve, minister, & radiate God's blessing to all and) unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

9. BE IT UNTO ME WITH GRATIFICATION WITH THE PURITY BY GOD

Text: Colossians 1:14 In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

1. The Condition Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ, God's Son.

2. The Confession

Romans 10:9-10 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

3. The Consequence 1-John 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful & just to forgive us our sins & to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.