

THE YEAR OF SERVING FAITHFULLY By Jarrod Davidoff January 5, 2020

1. SELF EVALUATION

It's good to ask the hard questions, such as

- 1) Did I do all the Lord asked me to do for Him?
- 2) Did I start to do it, how far did I get and did I finish the task?
- 3) And if I did complete it, AM I READY FOR THE NEXT SET OF INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE LORD OR NEXT ASSIGNMENT?

2. SEEK GOD'S KINGDOM

HIS WORD

Proverbs 4:20-23 My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings.

Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart;

For they *are* life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh.

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

HIS WILL

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;

In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 16:3 Commit your works to the Lord, And your thoughts will be established.

You have a will

Satan has a will

People have a will

The Lord has a will

LIFE OF OBEDIENCE

John 14:15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

Joshua 1:8 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

This year is going to be experienced differently for people:

FOR SOME IT’S GONNA BE GREAT

Proverbs 4:18 But the path of the just *is* like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.

Hebrews 10:36 For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise

SAY- I decree and declare that this will be the year of faithfulness

FOR SOME it's going to be challenging

Galatians 6:8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

FOR SOME THE SAME

James 1:23-25 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

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3. SERVE IN HIS KINGDOM

Matthew 20:25-28 But Jesus called them to *Himself* and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

Acts 20:35 I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’ ”

Matthew 6:19-21 “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and

where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Here are the main areas we need to serve the Lord:

CHURCH- gifts and talents the Lord has given you -your time -your treasure

YOUR FAMILY

YOUR FRIENDS- encourage them-bless them-be there for them

ETERNITY CONNECT GROUPS

THE LOST- By reaching out to them

YOUR WORKPLACE- leader, boss, colleagues