Edward Church 2018 Time for a... Pt 2 **Proverbs 3:1-32**

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

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Last year at this time, some of you were saying,

"This year, things are going to be different! I'm going to change!"
I'm going to...

- be a better spouse.
- spend more time with my family.
- spend more time reading my Bible.
- Spend More time praying
- Spend More time serving others.
- This is the year I get my ducks in a row!"

Just By a Simple Show of Hands...

Who Has Stuck to Their New Years Resolutions?

New Year's Resolutions...

...Basically Fall into 3 Categories

They Deal with Things to...

- Make Us Look Better and Live Longer
- Make Us Have More
- Help Us to Get Along with Everyone ie....

Longevity...

Prosperity...

...Peace



In Order to Effect...
...Our Lives
We Must be Move From
Resolutions= Thoughts
To

Revolution= Attitudes

My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments: ² For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. ³ Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart: 4 So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man. 5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. ⁷ Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. 8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones. 9 Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: 10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, / thy presses shall burst out with new wine. 11 My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction: 12 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth. -Prov 3:1-12



Revolution- Attitude #1-

Let Love and Faithfulness Never Leave You (3-4)

Revolution- Attitude #2-

Trust In The Lord With All Of Your Heart. (5-6)

Revolution- Attitude #3-

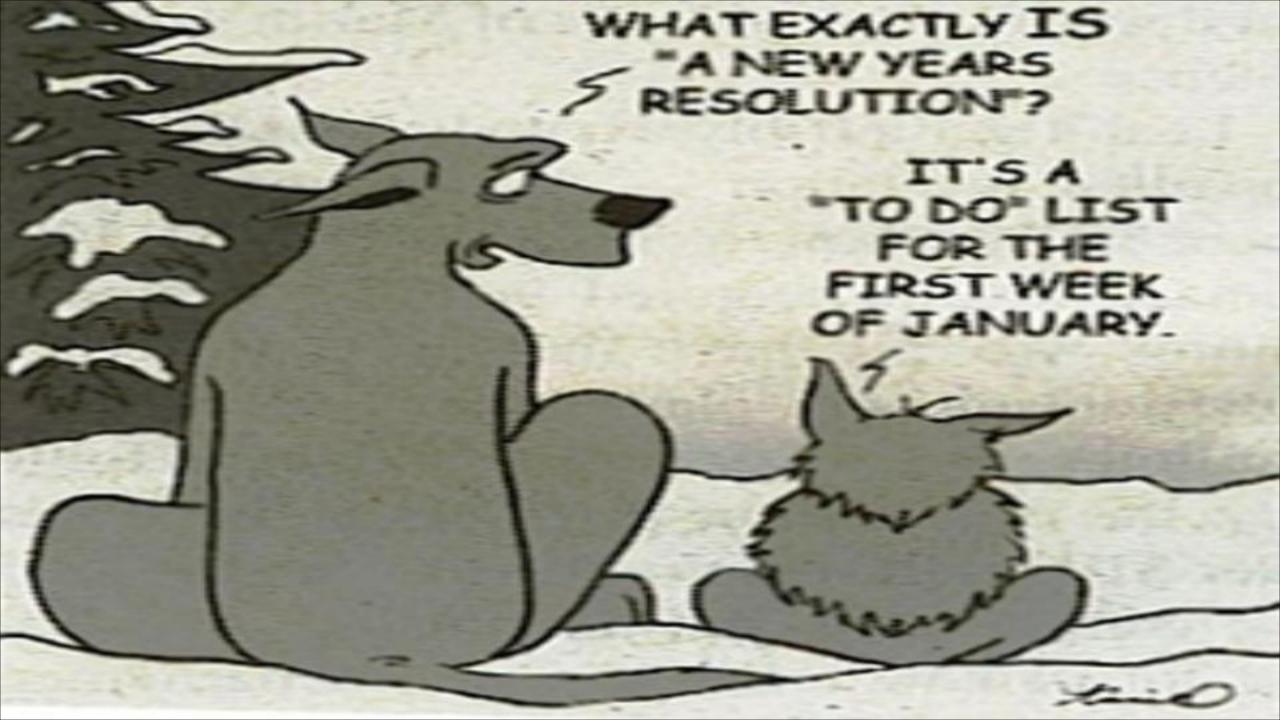
Do Not Be Wise In Your Own Eyes (7-8)

Revolution- Attitude #4-

Honor The Lord With Your Wealth (9-10)

Revolution- Attitude #5-

Do Not Despise The Lord's Discipline (11-12)



Search Diligently For Wisdom And Find It (13-24)

13 Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, 14 for she is more profitable than silver / yields better returns than gold. 15 She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. 16 Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches /honour. 17 Her ways are pleasant ways, /all her paths are peace. 18 She is a tree of life to those who embrace her; those who lay hold of her will be blessed. 19 By wisdom the LORD laid the earth's foundations, by understanding he set the heavens in place; 20 by his knowledge the deeps were divided, /the clouds let drop the dew. 21 My son, preserve sound judgment / discernment, do not let them out of your sight; 22 they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck. 23 Then you will go on your way in safety, /your foot will not stumble; 24 when you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.

There is No Stopping – We Must Find It!!!!!

My New Year's Resolution.

Search Diligently For Wisdom And Find It (13-24)

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 Wisdom Has Two Groups Of Characteristics.

oInformation

(13-20) talks about those characteristics of wisdom which deal with knowledge, learning, information, intelligence, data, facts, intellect, and experience.

oKnow-How

(21-24) talks about those characteristics of wisdom which deal with perception, discernment, judgement, reason, insight, prudence, discretion, and just plain old' common sense.

Have No Fear (25-26)

- 25 Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the Wicked, 26 for the LORD will be your confidence and will keep your foot
- Do You Live in Fear Depression Anxiety? • Our Fear Fades Away Because...

...Our Confidence Is In the Lord

NEW YEAR'S REVOLUTION

- Do Not Withhold Good from those Who Deserve It (27-28) 27 Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is in your power to act. 28 Do not say to your neighbor, "Come back later; I'll give it tomorrow" — when you now have it with you.
 - Do Good to Others Whenever We Have Opportunity. • Seize the Moment – Give to Others When They Need It.

 - ...Give It, And Give It Liberally And Immediately! Do Not Withhold Good...

CAUTION



Do Not Plot Harm Against Your Neighbor (29-30)
29 Do not plot harm against your neighbor, who lives trustfully near
you. 30 Do not accuse a man for no reason — when he has done you
no harm.

Plotting Harm Against Others Should Never Be...

...The Activity Of God's People

...It Is Never Justified

The Golden Rule Should Be Our Compass/ Guide

Resolve This Year To Treat Everyone With The Love Of Christ...
 ...And To Treat Them As You Want To Be Treated.

Starta New Year's Resolution

Do Not Envy A Violent Man Or Choose Any Of His Ways (31–35)

31 "Do not envy a violent man or choose any of his ways, 32 for the LORD detests a perverse man but takes the upright into his confidence. 33 The LORD's curse is on the house of the wicked, but he blesses the home of the righteous. 34 He mocks proud mockers but gives grace to the humble. 35 The wise inherit honor, but fools he holds up to shame."

Let's Keep This Simple...

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NEW EARS RESOLUTION