

Study Guide
2024 – The Year of More
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What is something that you need more of in 2024 (peace, joy, love, financial freedom, etc.)?

Everyone will receive more of something in 2024. What we receive more of (stress or peace; fear or joy; financial strain or financial freedom) is entirely up to us.

Read Ephesians 3:20-21.

II Corinthians 9:8 (NKJV) – And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

Psalms 65:11 (NLT) – You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance.

God wants to crown your year with grace, but He must have first place.

Does God have first place in your life?

What adjustments do you need to make to ensure He does have first place?

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV) – But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

Read Matthew 7:11.

What are some examples of times you have sought God first and seen Him provide?

What are some examples of times you have sought things first? What was the result?

James L. Kraft sought to put God first and was blessed to become the head of one of the greatest corporations in America. However, Kraft understood what the true blessing was:

When Kraft was the Sunday School Superintendent of Northshore Baptist Church in Chicago he said, “I would rather be a layman in the North Shore Baptist Church than the head of the greatest corporation in America. My first job is serving Jesus Christ.”

Do you value God more than you value the blessings you receive from Him?

In contrast to James L. Kraft, when asked what he would say if he were asked why he should be allowed into heaven, Ray Combs said, “I tell you what I would say to God. I would say to God, I’m the host of Family Feud and everybody loves me, that’s why you should let me into heaven.”

Read Matthew 10:33.

We don't always deny Christ with our words, but how might you have denied Him with your actions recently?

Genesis 1:1 (NKJV) – In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep.

Everything that is out of order will be put into order if God is in the beginning.

What are some things that you need put in order this year?
What are you willing to do to have those things put in order?

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NKJV) – Do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

Isaiah 43:18-19 (MSG) – Forget about what's happened; don't keep going over old history. Be alert, be present. I'm about to do something brand-new. It's bursting out! Don't you see it? There it is! I'm making a road through the desert, rivers in the badlands.

God wants to do something new in your life, but you must let go of the old to make hold of the new.

Luke 5:36-38 (NLT) – Then Jesus gave them this illustration: “No one tears a piece of cloth from a new garment and uses it to patch an old garment. For then the new garment would be ruined, and the new patch wouldn't even match the old garment. “And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. For the new wine would burst the wineskins, spilling the wine and ruining the skins. New wine must be stored in new wineskins.”

What are some of the old things you need to let go of so that God can do something new?

Read 1 Samuel 16:1.

Like Samuel, are you mourning over something God has rejected?

Philippians 3:12-13 (AMPC) – Not that I have now attained [this ideal], or have already been made perfect, but I press on to lay hold of (grasp) and make my own, that for which Christ Jesus (the Messiah) has laid hold of me and made me His own. I do not consider, brethren, that I have captured and made it my own [yet]; but one thing I do [it is my one aspiration]: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead

Read Galatians 6:7

What is something that you need more of in 2024 (peace, joy, love, financial freedom, etc.)?
How are you going to sow that thing into someone else's life this year?