



# REBOOT

When technology starts acting up, sometimes you just have to **REBOOT** - clear away the clutter and just start over. Today we consider 3 spiritual resolutions to *reboot* in this new year and embrace a fresh

## teachingnotes

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VISUAL NOTES

\* Bible Translation: **NIV** (New International Version), **NLT** (New Living Translation)

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## SHOW UP.

It is vital that you stay involved in the life of the church. The letter to the Hebrews addressed some who were inconsistent with meeting with their faith family.

### Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, **not giving up meeting together**, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

If you *SHOW UP* regularly to our Worship Gathering, keep it up! But don't stop with that. Church is not to be a place or event, but a *FAITH FAMILY* we do life with.

✗ The Christian who refuses to obey all the "one anothers" is disobeying 50% of what God commands.

Hebrews 10:24-25 commands followers of Jesus to "**spur one another on toward love and good deeds**" and to **encourage one another** as we get closer and closer to the return of Jesus.

❓ Does that sound like your relationship with people in your local church?

✓ **SHOW UP** and make meeting with your Church a priority over everything else.

### QUESTIONS:

❓ If everybody was a committed to the local church as **I am**, would MY church look more like a *CLUB* or a *FAMILY*?

❓ *If my kids, grandkids, or friends follow my example*, will they follow the commands of Jesus to meet together consistently, challenge other Christians to love and good deeds, and encourage other believers to remain faithful to Jesus & one another?

## Plug into **GROUP LIFE!**

- **ON CAMPUS GROUPS** meet on **Sundays at 10am**.
- **Guys Group & Ladies Group** on **Wed Nights @ 6:30pm**. Students have GROUP relationships on Wed nights too.
- Several **OFF CAMPUS GROUPS** are currently meeting and we would like to start several more. **Interested?** Let Christy or Jackie know you want to find a GROUP to plug into.
- **New to Fellowship or interested in Church Membership?** Join us for the next **STARTING POINT** beginning on **Sunday, Jan 16 at 10am**. Call Jackie (850) 673-1582 to sign up or check out: <http://bit.ly/FOM-SP> or take a picture of the QR code →



STARTING POINT

## **GROW UP.**

Many in the 1st century who claimed Christ weren't growing like they needed to.

### **1 Corinthians 3:1-2** (NIV)

Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere **infants** in Christ. I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, **you are still not ready.**

*Does that sound like people who are seeking first the KING and the KINGdom? NOPE. They were **worldly** instead of Godly. They were much weaker than they should have been at this stage. The author of Hebrews was concerned about the same thing with the people he was writing to.*

### **Hebrews 5:12-14** (NIV)

In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! Anyone who lives on milk, being **still an infant**, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, **who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.**

These people were satisfied being spiritual babies, depending on other people to feed them with no desire to grow so they could help others grow. Even though they were *SHOWING UP*, they weren't GROWING UP.

❓ **Are YOU doing to GROW UP in Jesus?** How are you **training to distinguish good from evil?**

3 Options to determine who God is and what God says:

1. **Make it up.** Many people make up their version of God and what He expects.
2. **Listen to what others say about the Scriptures**, but how can you determine if what they teach is true?
3. **Read the Scriptures for yourself and help teach others.**

❓ Is your goal to check off a task...OR...is your goal to get to know your God and GROW in Him?

### **Develop a plan**

- Find a quiet place
- Make an appointment time
- Read from an understandable translation of the Bible.
- Follow a reading plan (1 chapter a day or **M'Cheyne Bible Reading Plan** - 4 chapters a day from 4 different passages from the Scriptures<sup>1</sup>). Pick up a copy today at the front entrance.
- Have **writing tools** ready (highlighter, pen & paper, or digital device).

### **Prioritize your appointment.**

- Go to bed on time (early enough to wake up early enough).
- Set an alarm to be on time.
- Ditch the Distractions (Turn off notifications - social accounts, emails, etc.)

### **PRAY.**

- Ask God to speak through the Scripture.
- Write down your *THANKS* and *REQUESTS*.

### **Read it right.**

- Read the **Scriptures in context** (never read A Bible verse)
- Recognize the difference between **descriptive** and **prescriptive**. Does it describe what they DID do, or does it prescribe what we SHOULD do?
- *Appreciate* what the Scriptures *describe* & **Practice what the Scriptures prescribe.**

### **TAKE NOTES.**

- **Write down insights and questions.** You are much more likely to remember what you read when you *write it down*.
- **Share insights and questions.** This is one of the ways that Christians can have spiritual conversations leading to good questions, deeper study, and sharing what God has used to challenge or encourage you!

<sup>1</sup> <https://static.crossway.org/excerpt/3-esv-mcheyne-reading-plan.4.pdf>

## **STEP UP.** (Serve & Share)

### **Serve Others**

#### **1 Peter 4:10-11** (NIV)

Each of you should **use whatever gift you have received to serve others**, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, **so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.** To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

❓ How are you using your **gift to serve others** so that **God may be praised**?

✓ If you aren't already serving in some capacity, would you start asking God to use you? Next, touch base with Christy Adams, our Staff, Deacons & wives, or another Christian and share your desire to serve. In the coming days we will roll out some **WAYS** to serve & some **PLACES** you can serve.

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Have questions and need some help? ...real soon...how about now? Please **call** or **text** us soon!

\* Contact **Jackie** (850-673-1582), **Christy** (850-673-9764), or another follower of Jesus soon!

\* Or call our **deacons & wives**: Alan & Christy Androski (850-464-1428), Freddy & Joyce Howard (850-973-0047); Tim & Joni Hughey (850-464-1156), Mark & Dot Mancil (850-253-5405), Boss & Amelia Mulkey (850-464-6717), Jim & Derita Pinkard (850-464-6188), or Tom & Martha Waddail (850-973-0011).

### **Share Jesus with Others**

#### **Romans 10:13-15** (NLT)

For "**Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.**" But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And **how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?** And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, "How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!"

❓ What if Jesus came back in 2022? Is there anyone you care about who doesn't follow Jesus yet? *What are YOU going to do about that?*

## **TAKE SOME NOTES HERE!**