NEW YEAR'S 2023 "God's Promises" January 1, 2023

Isaiah 43:18-19 "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. 19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland." (NIV)

Matthew 6:33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (NIV)

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

1. WHAT DO YOU DESIRE FROM GOD?

Psalm 27:4 <u>One thing</u> I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. (NIV)

2. WHAT DO YOU <u>LACK</u>?

Mark 10:21-22 Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." 22 At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. (NIV)

3. WHAT DO YOU NEED TO LET GO?

Philippians 3:13-14 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: <u>Forgetting what is behind</u> and straining toward what is ahead, 14 <u>I press on</u> toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. (NIV)

4. WHAT PROMISE DO YOU NEED TO <u>CLAIM</u>?

Psalm 56:9-10 My enemies will retreat when I call to you for help. This I know: God is on my side! 10 I praise God for what he has promised; yes, I praise the Lord for what he has promised. (NLT)

GOD PROMISES TO THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST

- To meet every need you have from his riches (Phil. 4:19)
- You won't be tempted beyond what you can bear. (1 Cor. 10:13)
- To forgive all your sins (Eph. 1:7; 1 John. 1:9)
- To make everything work for your good (Rom. 8:28)
- He'd never leave you nor forsake you. (Heb. 13:5)
- To be your ever-present help in trouble (Ps. 46:1)
- To give strength to the weary and power to the weak (Isa. 40:29)
- To guide you and give you direction (Ps. 32:8)
- To give you a peace that goes beyond your understanding (Phil. 4:7)
- To give you power to defeat Satan (James 4:7)
- Nothing would separate you from God's love. (Rom. 8:39)
- You are more than conquerors. (Rom. 8:37)
- Eternal life through Christ (John 10:27-28)