

What's In Your Hands?

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Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.

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4 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.' 5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.

Quote

“Hold everything in your hands lightly, otherwise it hurts when God pries your fingers open.” - Corrie Ten Boom







Two Questions

1- What's in your hands that you need to let go of?

2- What should be in your hands that hasn't been grabbed a hold of yet?

Philippians 3:12-14

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. 13 Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

New Year's goal in 5 words

He be glorified in me!

How do we put our hands to His plans?

- 1- Discontentment- don't be satisfied with coasting spiritually.
- 2- Dedication- we press forward.
- 3- Direction- we are headed to the right place.
- 4- Determination- having spiritual Grit.