



the **lake** church

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FIVE HABITS to a Happier New Year



1. REJOICE ALWAYS (1 Thess 5:16)

Phil 4:4 – *Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, rejoice!*

Psalm 32:11 – *Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous ones; and shout for joy, all you who are upright in heart.*

2. PRAY WITHOUT CEASING (1 Thess 5:17)

Ps 46:10 – *Be still and Know that I am GOD.*

3. IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS, FOR THIS IS GOD’S WILL FOR YOU IN CHRIST JESUS

(1 Thess 5:18)

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4. MEMORIZE GOD’S WORD

Ps 119:11 – *“Your word I have hid in my heart that I might not sin against You.”*

Col 3:16 – *“Let the word of Christ dwell in us richly.”*

Romans 12:2 – *“Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind...”*

- **Memorizing Scripture will bring God’s blessing to our lives.**

Josh 1:8 – *“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.”*

Psalm 1:1-2 – *Blessed (happy, fortunate, prosperous, to be envied) (AMP) ... ² but His delight is in the Word of God and in His Word does he mediate day and night.*

- **Memorizing Scripture helps us be ready to encourage other believers and better share why we believe, with the unchurched.**

Rom 15:4 – *For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.*

5. STAY CONNECTED TO CHURCH

Come worship together; Learn from God’s Word;
GROW in the LORD; and learn how to Love God and love others.

Luke 2:52 – *And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and people.*

Ephesians 4:11-12 – *And He gave some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelists, some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ*

Hebrews 10:24-25 – *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.*

Encouragement is a way to show LOVE to another person.

1 Thess 4:18 – *Therefore comfort and encourage one another with these words.*