

Start the New Year Right

Did anyone make a New Year's resolution? Four days into the New Year how is that working for you? Most resolutions never make it past the first week! We mean well we just have a hard time carrying out our desires. We tell ourselves will do it tomorrow or next week and before we know it we have forgotten about the resolution or we just give up.

Have you ever resolved that you are going to give more? A lot of Christians struggle to give even though we know we should. Every week before our offering we try to make a positive case for why people should give. We share with you stories of what your giving accomplishes. In the end however, there is no story compelling enough to get you started on the road to generosity. You just have to decide to do it. You have to decide that God's Word is true when it tells us that when we give He will meet all our needs.

Listen to what Psalms 112:5-9 says, "Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice. Surely he will never be shaken, a righteous man will be remembered forever. He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord. His heart is secure, he will have no fear, in the end he will look in triumph on his foes. He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor, his righteousness endures forever;"

What great promises that all spring from an act of generosity! If you want good to come to you and the absence of fear, give!

If you want this kind of life mentioned in Psalms 112 I challenge you to start your New Year out right by giving NOW! The path to fulfilling any resolution starts by actually doing what you resolve. So right now today as we prepare for the offering resolve to give NOW! Worry about next Sunday next Sunday. Give right now. Take the first step to being generous by being generous.