



A New Year; A New You

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17; EPH. 4:20-32

A CELEBRATION OF THE TRANSFORMATION THAT BEGINS WHEN WE TRUST CHRIST

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A New Creation

- ▶ 2 Cor. 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a **new creation**; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. 18 Now all things are of God, who has **reconciled** us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the **ministry of reconciliation**, 19 that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. 20 Now then, we are **ambassadors for Christ**, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. 21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

A New Mind

- ▶ Eph. 4:20 But you have not so learned Christ, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22 that you **put off**, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and **be renewed in the spirit of your mind**, 24 and that you **put on** the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

A New Way of Life

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