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***Need some help meeting your
#1 New Year's Goal?***

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Need a little “Boost”?

Let us Pray for you!

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Pastor Jerry

M-A-R-K

- Meaningful**
- Achievable**
- Reaching out**
- Keep trying!**

#1 New Year's Goal: unity - working together

Jeremiah 29:4-7 (portions)

- ... Build houses and live in them;
plant gardens, eat their produce.
- ... have sons and daughters...
multiply there, do not decrease.
- seek the welfare of the city where I
have sent you into exile, ...
for in its welfare you will
find your welfare.

- This passage is about people that are in exile away from their homeland...
- So much the more it applies in our homeland...
- God wants us to live and thrive...
- If God tells the Hebrews to seek the welfare of their conquerors - He surely wants us too seek the welfare of those with different viewpoints!
- Because - in their welfare will be our own welfare!

- Now that we have an important goal -we move to “A”
- **A - Achievable**
- Our goal is achievable but will take effort... thinking... and persistence
>> not a “quickie”!
- We need a way to reward ourselves... by breaking this big goal into smaller, bite-sized goals... we can reward ourselves when we achieve them...
- Those rewards give us an incentive to keep going!!!

- That was a recap of the why and how we picked our goal...
- Now let's move on to how we can get some help to achieve that goal!
- **R - Reach Out**
- Anything that we work for is easier if we have someone with us... for company - for support... or maybe some competition!
- We need to reach out to someone that we trust... That we are comfortable with...
- Someone we can share our goals...

- Someone we can share our goals...
 - Our achievements...
 - Our setbacks!
 - Someone that will cheer us on...
 - Remind us...
 - Or maybe give us the occasional “prod”!
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- We get this little piece of wisdom from Solomon as recorded in the Bible:

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (portions)

- **Two are better than one...**
For if they fall,
one will lift up the other
- **though one might prevail against another, two will withstand one.**
 - **A threefold cord is not quickly broken.**

- We can also reach out to God!
- Prayer is our talking to God...
- We can lift up our inner-most thoughts... concerns... and achievements to God!
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- We need to remember that prayer is not a magic button...
- If we post something 10 times on Facebook - that does not automatically do anything...
- God looks into our hearts...

- Jesus says this as recorded in Matthew

Matthew 11:28-30 (portions)

- “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.
 - Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me...
- you will find rest for your souls.
 - For my yoke is easy, my burden is light.”

John 14:25-27 30 (portions)

- **”I have said these things to you while I am still with you...**
- **the Holy Advocate whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.**
- **Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you....**
- **Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.**

- What this means to me is that Jesus wants us to lead satisfied, healthy lives...
- Working towards our goals - yes...
- But without worry...
- Confident that Jesus will be with us and help us with those heavy goals - those tough goals that we have in front of us!
- He sends the Holy Spirit - the Holy Advocate - the Holy Comforter to us to be with us every step of the way...
- And that gives me peace in my heart!

- And last...
- **K - Keep Trying!!**
- This is probably the most important ingredient to making our #1 New Year's goal!!
- I learned a life-lesson early in my career!
- I attended a pretty tough engineering school...
- I noticed that the people getting the A's were the ones putting in the most work!
- Definitely not the smartest ones...
- Just the hardest working ones!

- When many of us would be taking a break - or goofing off - these guys would be digging into the books!
- Not teacher's pets - just hard workers!
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- I mentioned earlier, that praying to God is not like a magic button - or a “get out of jail free” card...
- It means we have the most awesome friend on our side giving us that little boost we need to get over the top!
- Paul says this...

1 Corinthians 9:24-27 (portions)

- **Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete...**
 - **Run in such a way that you may win it.**
- **Athletes exercise self-control in all things**
- **So I do not run aimlessly, nor do I box as though beating the air; but I punish my body and enslave it...**

James 1:3-4 (portions)

- **because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance;**
- **let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.**

New Year's Challenge!

Week 5

**Spend 5 minutes
each day:**

- **Pray for wisdom:**
 - **To identify little, bite-sized steps towards your goal...**
 - **Find someone to reach to...**
 - **And talk with God - the best friend we could ever ask for!!**



Post a Reminder!



- **Closing Question**



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Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

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- **Next Week!**
- **Continue on our New Year's Goals and how we can strive towards being better people...**
- **And being the people that God wants us to be...**
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- **Be safe - Stay healthy!**
 - **And now, sisters and brothers**
 - **Peace of Jesus Christ**
 - **power of the Holy Spirit**
 - **Share the Good News**
 - **And put a smile on God's face!!**

Blessing and Commission





**Thank You Jesus!!
Amen!**