



"A Year of REAL Change"

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I. **Romans 12:1-3**

A. Breaking the Old.....and Putting on the New

1. It Begins with Knowing that REAL Change is possible (Too many times, people have accepted Satan's lies....you can't, you won't, you just have to live with it, etc.)
2. **REAL Change – Change that lasts and isn't temporary.** Why New Year's resolutions don't last: No Real Plan With Committed Action. (The Mind).

B. Sayings about "Old Habits"

1. **"Old Habits Die Hard."**
2. **"Old Habits Become Like Chains Too Heavy to Break."**
3. **"We Are What We Repeatedly Do."**
4. **"An Old Dog Won't Learn New Tricks."**
5. **"Habits Are At First Cobwebs, At Last Cables."**
6. **"It Is Easier To Prevent Bad Habits Than To Break Them."**
7. **"Habit, If Not Resisted, Soon Becomes Necessity."**

II. How To See Real Change

A. Keeping God First

1. Do you know what this really means? (In a society of "me, me, me", it's not easily understood or known).
2. **Colossians 3:17** "Whatever you do...."
3. Keeping His Written Word First....Not as something you *have to do*, but as something you LOVE to do. (Meditate day and night....why? So you are thinking like your Father, acting like Him, talking like Him; the prosperity and health that comes because of it is just the reaping/side effect of getting close to Him and His Word!
4. **Deuteronomy 6:5-9** (Ever been in a "Believer's House?")

B. Fight the Good Fight (Stay Focused and Committed to Change) **I Timothy 6:12**

1. Don't Give Up....do you become "all muscles", lean and thin with a week's worth of exercise?
2. Get out of the "tunnel vision" mentality (this means you must go to God and ask, **"Teach me your ways Lord; I am willing to change!"**)

C. Enjoy the Journey (It's all about how you see it).

1. Live Happy, Joyful, and Free!
2. **Hebrews 13:15** "Sacrifice of Praise continually, giving thanks..."
3. Enjoying the Journey means to have a mindset of victory instead of defeat: Do you see an impossible obstacle or an opportunity for victory?

Volunteer at WVC!

Our church thrives because of the hearts and hands of people like you.

Whether you love greeting guests, serving children, praying with others, or helping behind the scenes, there's a place for your gifts. Volunteering isn't just a role — it's building community, growing spiritually, and making a meaningful impact.

Interested in serving?

We would love to help you get connected! Reach out to our Outreach Team Leaders, Nathanael and Kailee Machen to learn more about serving opportunities in any of these areas:

Worship Team
Media Team
Security Team
Usher Team
Greeter Team
Children's Ministry Team

Thank you for considering being part of what God is doing at WVC!

"As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." — 1 Peter 4:10 (NKJV)