

Making 2010 a Truly New Year:
How Will You Spend the Gift of 2010?
1 Peter 1:18-24

This New Year is a Gift from God to You

God has Given you the Choice of How you will Spend His Gift

Don't Waste This New Year by Spending it on Junk

Addiction to Amusement

Amuse = "not thinking"

(Psalm 46:10a) "Be still, and know that I am God."

Raising your Resentments

(Hebrews 12:15) Keep a sharp eye out for weeds of bitter discontent. A thistle or two gone to seed can ruin a whole garden in no time.

Hidden Cost of Non-Commitment

(Mark 8:35) For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it.

Excused Absences

(Luke 14:18a) "But they all alike began to make excuses."

You Can Spend 2010 in Ways that Will Make You Spiritually Rich

Take the Step that Has You Stuck

(Exodus 14:15) Then the LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on."

Build a Family of Faith

(1 Peter 1:22b)... love one another deeply, from the heart.

Become a Giver

(Acts 20:35) ...keep in memory the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, There is a greater blessing in giving than in getting.

Take a Missionary Journey

(John 20:21) Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

Prepare and Share the Gospel

(Philemon 1:6) I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.

Make 2010 Your New Birth Day

(1 Peter 1:23, NLT) For you have been born again. Your new life did not come from your earthly parents because the life they gave you will end in death. But this new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living word of God.

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How you spend it will be your gift to Him.**