



**A New Model
for a New Year**

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

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- **20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin^[b] for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.**



- **A New Me v. 17**
- **A New Message v. 18-19**
- **A New Moonlight v.20-21**

Thesis: Christians should be made over to make Him known.

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I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

Ezekiel 36:26

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Matthew 28:18-20

- *And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (Matthew 28:18-20)*

Personal Instruction

- **First, it's the last recorded personal instruction given by Jesus to His disciples.**
- **Second, it's a special calling from Jesus Christ to all His followers to take specific action while on this earth.**

Acts 1:7-8 & 15

- **7** He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. **8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” **15** In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty)

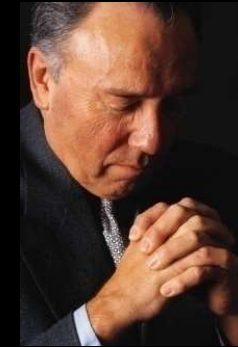
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Conclusion:



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- Decisions to make today!
- **Accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior**
- **Be baptized**
- **Join Bethlehem Baptist Church**
- **Ask for prayer**
- **Testify**
- **Ministry or Mission**

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THIS YEAR, I WILL

**Resolve: To Know Him (Jesus
Christ)! Philippians 3:10-16**

