

New Journey for 2012!

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On the Horizon...

Israel
Presidential/National Election
Radical Islamic Threat – Iran

In the Meantime...

And so, dear friends, while you are waiting for these things to happen, make every effort to be found living peaceful lives that are pure and blameless in his sight.¹⁵ And remember, the Lord's patience gives people time to be saved.

2 Peter 3:14-15

• It All Starts with God

Matthew 22:37-38 Jesus replied, "You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.'

"Knowing and loving God is our greatest privilege,
and being known and loved is God's greatest pleasure"

Hebrews 11:6 And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.

"Trusting God completely means having
faith that he knows what is best for your life"



• What Drives Your Life?

John 14:23-24 Jesus replied, "All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them.²⁴ Anyone who doesn't love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me.

"The most common mistake Christians make in worship today is seeking an experience rather than seeking
God"

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 Either way, Christ's love controls us. Since we believe that Christ died for all, we also believe that we have all died to our old life.¹⁵ He died for everyone so that those who receive his new life will no longer live for themselves. Instead, they will live for Christ, who died and was raised for them.

"Surrender is best demonstrated in obedience and
trust"

• What Makes God Smile?

Galatians 5:16, 19-23 So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves.¹⁹ When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures,²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division,²¹ envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.²² But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,²³ gentleness, and self-control.

"God develops the fruit of the Spirit by allowing you to
experience
circumstances in which you're tempted to express the
exact
opposite quality!"

John 15:16 You didn't choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name.