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""Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

Isaiah 43:18-19 NIV

N = NEW

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" 2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV

Renew your mind...

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

Romans 12:2 NIV

"You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness."

Ephesians 4:22-24 NIV

E = EXPECT

What are you expecting from God? Good or bad?

If it's bad you don't know the character and nature of God!! Expectation is linked to faith and belief. "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

Romans 8:28 NIV

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Ephesians 3:20 NIV

Expect only good from God.

W = WITNESS

"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.""

Acts 1:8 NIV

""You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:14-16 NIV

Y = YOU

You have gifts, you are important and you are the apple of God's eye. You are the hands and feet of God. You are the bride of Christ.

"Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of YOU should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

1 Peter 4:9-10 NIV

If you need to make changes in your life it's up to you!!

The person in the mirror is the problem!

The person in the mirror is the solution!

E = EXCEL

EXCELLENCE NOT PERFECTION

"But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you —see that you also excel in this grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich."

2 Corinthians 8:7-9 NIV

A = APPRECIATE

Life, each other, have an attitude of gratitude.

Be thankful.

Ungratefulness robs you of joy.

"We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing."

2 Thessalonians 1:3 NIV

"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:10

R = RESTORE

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit."

Psalms 51:10-12 NKJV

My prayer and verse for all of you in 2017

"Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers."

Ill John 1:2 NKJV

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