

Things I want to Remember in 2022

Key Scriptures

Ps. 23:1-6 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. ² He takes me to lush pastures, he leads me to refreshing water. ³ He restores my strength. He leads me down the right paths for the sake of his reputation. ⁴ Even when I must walk through the darkest valley, I fear no danger, for you are with me; your rod and your staff reassure me. ⁵ You prepare a feast before me in plain sight of my enemies. You refresh my head with oil; my cup is completely full. ⁶ Surely your goodness and faithfulness will pursue me all my days, and I will live in the LORD's house for the rest of my life.

Rom. 5:9-11 ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. ¹⁰ For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹ And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Gal. 5:1, 13-14 For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

TALK IT OVER

Start talking: Pick a conversation starter for your group.

- What do you think about New Year's Resolutions? Did you resolve anything for 2022?

Start thinking. Ask questions to get your group thinking.

- Kyle mentioned his grandmother placing the word "Because" before "the Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing." Do you feel that changes the meaning or helps get the meaning across?
- How do you reconcile Paul's claim of freedom in Galatians 5:1 with what he says in Romans 6:18-22 and 1 Cor 9:19 about becoming a slave?
- What are some things Paul listed in Romans 5:9-11 which Jesus has done for us, and we still see the effects in our lives today?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- What are some of the big lies about God that you have found yourself believing in the past?
- What are some things that you want to remember going into 2022? Are there things you need to choose to forget?

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week!

- What are the things you need to remember from 2021 and bring into 2022? For instance, Go back through Romans 6 and 7:1-6 and recall what truths Paul lists about you because you are in union with Christ. Rehearse these often!

Prayer Requests. It may be helpful to pray the scriptures back to God.

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