



QA: What Can Make 2023 a "New" Year? by [John T Polk II](#)

*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

QUESTION: What can make 2023 a "New Year"?

ANSWER: The old adage: "well begun, half done." That's why so much emphasis/talk is about "New Year's Resolutions."

The Ending Sets The Beginning: Israel's Promised Land was:

... a land for which the LORD your God cares; the eyes of the LORD your God are always on it, from the beginning of the year to the very end of the year. (**Deuteronomy 11:12**)

The "end of the year" was as important as "the beginning of the year," to God.

The end of a thing is better than its beginning; The patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. (**Ecclesiastes 7:8**)

The beginning is filled with anticipation, hope, and promise. Paul told the Corinthian Christians:

It is to your advantage not only to be doing what you began and were desiring to do a year ago; but now you also must complete the doing of it; that as there was a readiness to desire it, so there also may be a completion out of what you have. (**2 Corinthians 8:10- 11**)

It does no good to still want to do what we wanted to do a year ago. We must do it!

For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end, while it is said: "Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."
(**Hebrews 3:14-15**)

Prophecy For 2023: In Ephesus, the Apostle

[Paul] went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingdom of God. But when some were hardened and did not believe, but spoke evil of the Way before the multitude, he departed from them and withdrew the disciples. (**Acts 19:8-9**)

Unbelievers will speak "evil of the Way" of Christ. It is easy, therefore, to predict that in the course of this year:

- * the Propaganda Press will feature stories of racial prejudice in American History;
- * "Harlotwood" will continue to depict hatefulness and hypocrisy in all "Bible believers";
- * TV sitcoms will laugh at homosexual opponents;
- * Politicians will continue to push God aside; and
- * TV history channels will continue to question and deny the accuracy, text, and truthfulness of the Bible.

The way of the wicked is like darkness; They do not know what makes them stumble. (**Proverbs 4:19**)

Jesus Christ said:

"I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." (**John 8:12**)

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." (**Mark 16:15-16**)

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