

"I speak not by commandment, but I am testing the sincerity of your love by the diligence of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich. And in this I give advice: It is to your advantage not only to be doing what you began and were desiring to do a year ago;"

2 Corinthians 8:8-10

"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. For if there is first a willing mind, *it is* accepted according to what one has, *and* not according to what he does not have."

2 Corinthians 8:11-12

“For *I do not mean* that others should be eased and you burdened; but by an equality, *that now* at this time your abundance *may supply* their lack, that their abundance also may supply your lack--that there may be equality. As it is written [Exodus 16:18], ‘He who gathered much had nothing left over, and he who gathered little had no lack.’” **2 Corinthians 8:13-15**

~An optimist stays up until midnight to see the new year in. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves.

~Bill Vaughan

~Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365-page book. Write a good one.

~Brad Paisley

~A new heart for a New Year,
always!

~Charles Dickens

Finish The Old **2 Corinthians 8:8-15**

Without Commandments, See Example:

(1 Macedonians **2 Corinthians 8:1-5)**

- **Received God's Grace **V. 1****
- **Deeply Poor, But Gave Liberally **V. 2-3****
- **Insisted Upon Helping Other Saints **V. 4-5****

(2 Corinthians Advised To Complete:

- **Giving Like Macedonians **V. 6-8****
- **Sharing Riches Like Jesus Christ **V. 9****
- **Their Year-Old Willingness **V. 10-12****
- **WHILE THEY ARE BLESSED! **V. 13-15****

The Corinthians Had Begun And Desired To:

1. Obey Jesus Christ **Acts 18:8**
2. Be United In the church of Christ
1 Corinthians 1:10-6:20
3. Respect Male-Female Marriage **1 Cor. 7**
4. Be Conscientious **1 Cor. 8-9**
5. Gather Together (“Church”) And
Remember The Lord’s Death **1 Cor. 10-11**
6. Strengthen The Bond of Love **1 Cor. 12-14**
7. REMEMBER The Salvation Gospel We First
Obeyed **1 Corinthians 15-16**

IN ‘24, WHAT DO WE PLAN TO COMPLETE?

WHILE YOU HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY:

“Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, ‘See, *here is* water. What hinders me from being baptized?’ Then Philip said, ‘If you believe with all your heart, you may.’ And he answered and said, ‘I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.’ So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him.” **Acts 8:35-38**