

“Change” Is Easy When It’s A Calendar



We set *goals* that we may achieve more than we presently are doing.

Play basketball, put up a goal.

Play baseball, buy a ball, bat and glove.

Learn to cook, hang out and help in the kitchen.

Get a job, search out opportunities.

Hunt game, find their trails.

Improve school grades,
study the subjects.

Be strong, eat right and exercise.

If We Want To Learn More Scripture,

“These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine”

1 Timothy 4:11-13

**Where Are We Planning To Spend More Time
In Bible Studies:**

At Home?

At Church Sunday Bible Class?

At Church Wednesday Bible Class?



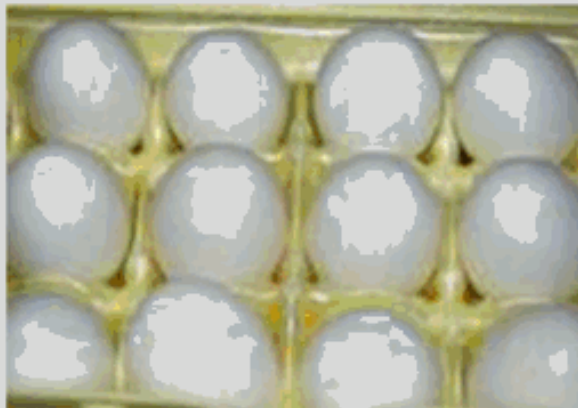
Plant



**Pair
Off**

**New
beginning**

Produce



Plan

Punch



I MET A MAN WITH A DOLLAR.
WE EXCHANGED DOLLARS AND
WE STILL HAD A DOLLAR.



Bob

I MET A MAN WITH AN IDEA.
WE EXCHANGED IDEAS AND
NOW WE BOTH HAVE 2 IDEAS.

Idea Exchange:

Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.

Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself. Leo Tolstoy

If you do not change direction, you may end up where you are heading. Lao Tzu

All change is not growth, as all movement is not forward. Ellen Glasgow

“Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but **exhort one another daily, while it is called ‘Today,’** lest any of you be **hardened** through the deceitfulness of sin. 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 3:12-15**).

Why & How to *“Punch The Button”*



1. Beware *[future]*
2. Sin Deceives & Hardens
[past]
3. Hear His Voice *["Today"]*

What Is “Good” Change?

NOT False Purposes:

“My son, fear the LORD and the king; **Do not associate with those given to change**” (**Proverbs 24:21**).

NOT False Accusations:

“They also set up **false witnesses** who said, ‘This man does not cease to speak blasphemous words against this holy place and the law; for we have heard him say that **this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place and change the customs which Moses delivered to us**’” (**Acts 6:13-14**).

NOT False Standards:

“**Because they do not change**, Therefore they do not fear God” (**Psalms 55:18-19**).

"I said, 'O my God, **Do not take me away in the midst of my days;** Your years are throughout all generations. Of old You laid **the foundation of the earth, And the heavens** are the work of Your hands. **They will perish, but You will endure;** Yes, they will all grow old like a garment; Like a cloak You will change them, And they will be changed. **But You are the same, And Your years will have no end"**

Psalm 102:24-27

"Now, therefore," says the LORD, "**Turn to Me with all your heart,** With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." **Joel 2:12**

Train of Life

Some folks ride the train of life Looking out the rear,
Watching miles of life roll by, And marking every year.

**They sit in sad remembrance, Of wasted days gone by,
And curse their life for what it was, And hang their head and
cry.**

But I don't concern myself with that, I took a different vent,
I look forward to what life holds, And not what has been spent.

**So strap me to the engine, As securely as I can be,
I want to be out on the front, To see what I can see.**

I want to feel the winds of change, Blowing in my face,
I want to see what life unfolds, As I move from place to place.

**I want to see what's coming up, Not looking at the past,
Life's too short for yesterdays, It moves along too fast.**

So if the ride gets bumpy, While you are looking back,
Go up front, and you may find, Your life has jumped the
track.

**It's all right to remember, That's part of history,
But up front's where it's happening, There's so much
mystery.**

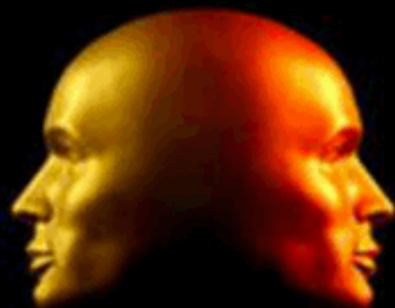
The enjoyment of living, Is not where we have been,
It's looking ever forward, To another year and ten.

**It's searching all the byways, Never should you
refrain,
For if you want to live your life, You gotta drive the
train!**

-----Author Unknown

Make This Truly A "New Year"

By



Repenting

And



Being Baptized

Everyone of You,

In the Name Of Jesus Christ

For The Remission of Your Sins

Acts 2:38