

No-No's for the New Year

What Not to Do by God's Grace to Be More Like Christ in the New Year!

Now One Likes to Be Told **NO!**

But learning to obey God's "No-No's" is life-changing!

Our Creator and Redeemer Tells Us "NO" for Three Good Reasons

- To **PROTECT** us.
- To **PROVIDE** for us.
- To **PROMOTE** His glory, our joy, and the good of others.

Three No-No's for the New Year

1. Have a **NO WORRY** New Year. *Matthew 6:25-34*

What Is Worry?

AGONIZING over a future we cannot predict or control.

Why Is Worry a Sin?

It is rooted in a lack of trust in God's **GOODNESS!**

So What Should Replace Worry?

A **PRAYERFUL** trust in the goodness of God and His promises in Christ!

"You will keep the mind that is dependent on You in perfect peace, for it is trusting in You." Isaiah 26:3 HCSB

I Will Strive to Have a NO WORRY New Year

because worry is a sin that reveals a lack of trust in God and His goodness!

2. Have a **NO BOAST** New Year. *James 4:13-16*

What Is Boasting?

ARROGANTLY planning like we can predict and control the future.

Why Is Boasting a Sin?

It is rooted in a lack of trust in God's **GREATNESS!**

So What Should Replace Boasting?

A **HUMBLE** trust in the greatness of God and His power in Christ!

"Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand." Proverbs 19:21

I Will Strive to Have a NO BOASTING New Year

because boasting is a sin that reveals a lack of trust in God and His greatness!

3. Have a **NO WASTE** New Year. *Luke 12:15-21*

What Is a Wasted Life?

ACTING like we can live anyway we want without any eternal consequences or divine judgment.

Why Is a Wasted Life a Sin?

It is rooted in a lack of trust in God's **GRACE!**

So What Should Replace a Wasted Life?

An **OBEDIENT** trust in the grace of God and His purposes in Christ!

I Will Strive to NOT WASTE the New Year

because wasting my life is a sin that reveals a lack of trust in God and His grace!

To Have a "No-No" New Year We Must Say "YES" to Jesus Our Lord!

It is only through Jesus Christ and His indwelling Spirit that we connect with...

- **God's Goodness** which **frees us** from having to worry about the New Year!
- **God's Greatness** which **reminds us** not to boast about the New Year!
- **God's Grace** which **enables us** to not waste the New Year!
- **God's Gospel** which **tells us** that He has done for us in Christ what we could never do for ourselves in the New Year and for all eternity!