

The Path To A Renewed Life: Renewed, Pt. 1

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Renewed: Living Life God's Way! Pt. 1

2 Corinthians 5:17, *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: **The old has gone, the new is here!** 18 All this is from God, Who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and **gave us the ministry of reconciliation:** 19 that God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 **We are therefore Christ's ambassadors,** as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made Him Who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.*

Four Keys To Commitments That Will Renew Your Life:

1. The Best Commitments Have The RIGHT GOAL

Philippians 3:13, *Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on **toward the goal** to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.*

2. The Best Commitments Stretch MY FAITH

Ephesians 3:20, *Now to Him Who is able to do **immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine,** according to His power that is at work within us, 21 to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.*

3. The Best Commitments Are Directed By GOD'S WORD

Joshua 1:8, *Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, **so that you may be careful to do everything written in it.** Then you will be prosperous and successful.*

4. **The Best Commitments Focus MY ENERGY**

1 Corinthians 9:25, ***Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training.*** They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. 26 **Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly;** I do not fight like a boxer beating the air.

What Kind Of Commitments Are Successful?

-Commitments That Honor God

1 Corinthians 10:31, *So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.*

1 Corinthians 6:20, *you were bought at a price. **Therefore honor God with your bodies.***

-Commitments That Are Inspired By Love

John 13:34, *“A new command I give you: **Love one another.** As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another.”*

1 Corinthians 16:14, ***Do everything in love.***

-Commitments That Are Supported By God’s People

Ecclesiastes 4:9, ***Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor.*** 10 If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. 11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? 12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

Action Steps:

-Make Worship a priority during the Renewed Series: Saturday 5:00p, Sundays 9:30a & 11:00a, or Online at **www.cottonwoodcreek.org**

-Go by the Connect Wall and find a Life Group or Home Group to join for the Renewed Series.

-Read or listen the Pastor’s Daily Devotional.

-Get the Renewed verse of the day by texting VERSE to 77978