

## HOW TO MAKE A FRESH START Preparing for the New Year

*"The Lord says, 'Forget about what has happened before. Do not think about the past. [Instead] look at the new thing I am going to do.'" Isaiah 43:18-19 (New Century Version)*

### HOW TO MAKE A FRESH S.T.A.R.T. IN 2010

**STOP** \_\_\_\_\_

*"A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful. But if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance." Proverbs 28:13 (Living Bible)*

#### Common Causes of Failure

- WE DON'T \_\_\_\_\_  
*"A sensible man watches for problems and prepares to meet them. The fool never looks ahead and suffers the consequences." Proverbs. 27:12 (Living Bible)*
  
- WE DON'T \_\_\_\_\_  
*"Plans fail without good advice." Proverbs 15:22 (New Century Version)*
  
- WE \_\_\_\_\_  
*"If you give up when trouble comes, it shows that you are weak." Proverbs 24:10 (New Century Version)*

**TAKE** \_\_\_\_\_

*"You have experienced many things. Were all those experiences wasted? I hope not!"*  
Galatians 3:4

ASK:

**ACT** \_\_\_\_\_

*"According to your faith will it be done to you."* Matthew 9:29

*"We should make plans – counting on God to direct us."* Proverbs 16:9 (Living Bible)

*"Being afraid of people can get you into trouble..."* Proverbs 29:25 (New Century Version)

**REFOCUS** \_\_\_\_\_

*"Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts."* Proverbs 4:23 (Good News)

*"Happy are those who... are always meditating on God's Word... They are like trees along a river... that do not dry up. They succeed in everything they do."* Psalm 1:1-3 (Good News)

**TRUST** \_\_\_\_\_

*"You will not succeed by your own strength or power, but by My Spirit," says the Lord."*  
Zechariah 4:6 (New Century Version)

*"When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same any more. A new life has begun!"* 2 Corinthians 5:17 (Living Bible)