

Finish Well!

Prov. 23:7

Our first line of action is thinking.

Our thinking has brought us to where we are today, and
our thinking will take us where we are going tomorrow.

I Tim. 4:8

Think about what you need to do to improve your life with the Lord.

Make a list. – Set your goals - Determine a plan of Action – Go for it!

The temptation during these last 5 days of 2020 is to:

Throw 2020 in the garbage and never look back on it.

But if we only dwell on the bad, God will get no glory.

Instead, **let us give thanks to God for what He HAS done in 2020.**

THREE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS TO FINISH WELL!

I. THANKFULNESS

Through Gratitude we allow God His rightful place in our heart.

1 Thessalonians 5:18; Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 30:4; Psalm 100:4; Psalm 139:14

II. FORGIVENESS

Forgiveness has two dimensions.

a. Asking forgiveness from one who has something against you.

Matthew 5:23, 24

b. Giving forgiveness to the one that offended you.

Matthew 18:21-22

Forgiveness is for YOU not them!)

Matthew 6:14, 15

III. REPENTANCE

STOP and ABANDON any sin in your life!

Romans 13:12-14; Galatians 5:16-17

Sometimes we feel like certain things in life are beyond us.

Like spiritual progress.

Sometimes we go "two steps forward and three steps back."

About the time we think we are making some spiritual progress-
something happens to knock us down or take us backwards.

Somehow, we need to forge ahead!

We need to climb the mountain and stop sliding downhill!

Let me give you some spiritual end of year stuff to do.

Philippians 3:12-14

I press on. Isn't that what you want in your Christian life?

Closing:

Can you find things to be thankful for?

Do you need to ask forgiveness or give forgiveness?

Do you have some things that you need to get out of your life and walk according to the Spirit?

Do you need to be saved?

Romans 10:9-10