

## Day One – Resolution or Revolution?

It is January 1, the beginning of the New Year. 2022 is in the rear-view mirror, and we hope for good things to come in 2023.

Each new year is an opportunity for a fresh start. The old is gone, and we have unlimited opportunities for a new year before us. New Year's resolutions, whether written or goals in our minds, are an effort to re-order the priorities of our lives. We know what areas need improvement. The beginning of the new year is when we pledge to make changes for the better. Success will depend on our commitment, or the resolution will become wishful thinking. We need something to transform our goals into achievement.



There is something different about January 1 this year. The New Year begins on a Sunday. Day One is on the Lord's Day. Let that be a sign for 2023 to be a year when we put God first and seek His will for our lives. Instead of just setting routine resolutions this year, "up your game" by starting a "revolution." The dictionary defines revolution as a "forcible overthrow of the government, in favor of a new system." This is what resolutions are supposed to do – create transformative, life-changing new systems. Overthrow the old way you live your life. Start the year 2023 with a new system to govern your life, with the Lord in the #1 position.

Instead of losing weight and exercising as being at the top of the list, seek a more profound goal. Set a higher goal. Seek to be the person God intended you to be. Living in partnership with God will help you make better choices because you will be living for Him and not just yourself. What God wants is for you to dedicate your life to Him. Then, He will influence the rest of your decisions.

**Here's the Point:** There are some things we need to do differently in the coming year, but nothing compares with making God the #1 priority in our lives. Let the transformation of your revolution change the entire focus of your life. Start today -- Day One – the Lord's Day. *The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps (Proverbs 16:9).*

**The Bible Says:** *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17).*

**Question:** In what ways do you wish to amend your life in 2023?

**Prayer:** Dear Lord. As we begin a new year, let us seek to be the person you designed us to be. Lead and guide us, Lord. Amen.