

How To Make a Fresh Start

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“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 (NCV)

HOW TO MAKE A FRESH **S.T.A.R.T.** IN 2022

S **TOP** MAKING EXCUSES

“A man who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful. But if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance.” Pr. 28:13 (LB)

Common Causes of Failure

- WE DON'T **PLAN AHEAD**

“A sensible man watches for problems and prepares to meet them. The fool never looks ahead and suffers the consequences.” Pr. 27:12 (LB)

- WE DON'T **LISTEN TO OTHERS**

“Plans fail without good advice.” Pr. 15:22 (NCV)

- WE GIVE **UP TOO SOON**

“If you give up when trouble comes, it shows that you are weak.” Pr. 24:10 (NCV)

T **AKE** STOCK OF MY LIFE

“You have experienced many things. Were all those experiences wasted? I hope not!” Gal. 3:4 (ICB)

A **CT** IN FAITH

“According to your faith will it be done to you.” Mt. 9:29 (NIV)

“We should make plans – counting on God to direct us.” Pr. 16:9 (LB)

“Being afraid of people can get you into trouble...” Pr. 29:25 (NCV)

R **EFOCUS** MY THOUGHTS

“Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts.” Pr. 4:23 (GN)

“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.” Ps. 1:1-3 (GN)

T **RUST** GOD TO HELP ME SUCCEED

“You will not succeed by your own strength or power, but by My Spirit,’ says the Lord.” Zech. 4:6 (NCV)

“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 Cor. 5:17 (LB)