

Happy New Year 2009

10 New Years resolutions

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10 New Years resolutions from the wisest man who ever lived  
Proverbs 3:1-35

**In 2009, I resolve to be more...**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **and** \_\_\_\_\_  
“Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.”  
V.3-4
2. \_\_\_\_\_ **of the Lord**  
“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.”  
V. 5-6
3. \_\_\_\_\_ **toward others**  
“Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.”  
V. 7-8
4. \_\_\_\_\_ **of the Lord with my wealth**  
“Honour the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.”  
V. 9-10
5. \_\_\_\_\_ **of the Lord’s discipline**  
“My son, do not despise the LORD’s discipline and do not resent his rebuke, because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.”  
V 11-12

6. \_\_\_\_\_ **in my search for wisdom**  
“Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who embrace her; those who lay hold of her will be blessed....”  
V. 13-24

7. \_\_\_\_\_  
“Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the wicked, for the LORD will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared.”  
V 25-26

8. \_\_\_\_\_ **to those who deserve it**  
“Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is in your power to act. Do not say to your neighbor, “Come back later; I’ll give it tomorrow” — when you now have it with you.”  
V 27-28

9. \_\_\_\_\_ **with my words**  
“Do not plot harm against your neighbor, who lives trustfully near you. Do not accuse a man for no reason — when he has done you no harm.”  
V 29-30

10. \_\_\_\_\_ **with my admiration**  
“Do not envy a violent man or choose any of his ways, for the LORD detests a perverse man but takes the upright into his confidence.”  
V 31 - 32

**The result of living in such a manner:**

“The LORD’s curse is on the house of the wicked, but he blesses the home of the righteous. He mocks proud mockers but gives grace to the humble. The wise inherit honor, but fools he holds up to shame.”  
V. 33-35