

**THE POWER OF VISION – Week #2**  
**A Fresh Start**  
**January 9, 2022**



Zechariah 10:6 (MSG) *I'll save the people of Joseph. I know their pain and **I'll make them as good as new. They'll get a fresh start as if nothing ever happened.** Why? Because I am their God and I'll do what needs to be done for them.*

Hosea 14:5 (MSG) *I will make a fresh start with Israel. He'll burst into bloom like a crocus in the spring.*

Psalms 145:14 (MSG) *GOD gives a hand to those down on their luck, gives a fresh start to those ready to quit.*

**STEPS TO TAKE FOR A FRESH START IN 2022**

S-T-A-R-T

**S – STOP MAKING EXCUSES**

**GIDEON**

Judges 6:14 (MSG) God says directly to Gideon “Go in *this strength that is yours. Save Israel from Midian. Haven't I just sent you?*”

v. 15-16 Gideon said to him, “*Me, my master? How and with what could I ever save Israel? Look at me. My clan's the weakest in Manasseh and I'm the runt of the litter.*”

Proverbs 24:10 (CEV) *Don't give up and be helpless in times of trouble.*

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (TLB) *If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done.*

**T - TAKE STOCK OF WHAT YOU HAVE**

SHAPE (See P.Jon for more info!)

Spiritual gifts

Heart

Abilities

Personality

Experiences

Galatians 3:4 (NLT) *Have you experienced so much for nothing? Surely it was not in vain, was it?*

Colossians 2:10 (TLB) *So you have everything when you have Christ, and you are filled with God through*



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*your union with Christ. He is the highest Ruler, with authority over every other power.*

## **A – ACT IN FAITH**

Proverbs 16:9 *We should make plans—counting on God to direct us*

## **R - REFOCUS MY MIND**

Ephesians 4:21-23 (NLT) *Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, <sup>22</sup> throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. <sup>23</sup> **Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes.***

Romans 12:2a (NIV) *Do not conform to the pattern of this world, **but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.***

## **T – TRUST**

Jeremiah 29:11(NIV) *For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “**plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.***

Jeremiah 18:4 (MSG) *Whenever the pot the potter was working on turned out badly, **as sometimes happens when you are working with clay, the potter would***

***simply start over and use the same clay to make another pot.***

V. 5-6 (NLT) *Then the LORD gave me this message: <sup>6</sup>“O Israel, can I not do to you as this potter has done to his clay? **As the clay is in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand.***

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

## **TAKE IT FURTHER/CHALLENGE:**

- How has God given you a fresh start in the past—in small ways or big?
- What excuses are stopping you from moving forward with a fresh start? How can you get past those excuses, listen to God and trust in Him?
- How do you need to renew your spirit by refocusing our mind?
- What plans and goals can you set today trusting in God’s vision for your life?

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