Month: December 2012

**Scripture:** Eccl 9:10 'whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might'.

Food for thought: Never give up, focus ahead



As the year ends you might feel you have achieved nothing or very little and it is so easy to throw in the towel. It is so easy to call it quits. The devil will try to work through all the means possible to side track you into believing you have achieved nothing! If throughout the year you have lived a life of mediocrity and compromise, he will not trouble you because he knows you will not accomplish much anyways. But if you are determined to live a life of God's fullness, then you are the enemy's target. Greater days are ahead! Keep focused.

Apostle Paul went through tough situations. I am sure he too had a goal list each year. But no matter what setbacks he faced his focus was on the goal ahead all the time. He says "this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before. He did not waver or get bogged down by the circumstances. He went through shipwrecks, beatings and humiliations but he says it is a 'light affliction'. He knew the afflictions are light when compares to the prize he was going to get. That tells me that Paul was willing to pay the price for the goal he had. Are you?? Be determined. Stay focused. Press on.

Pressing on means you are in motion. You cannot sit idle and expect God to do everything for you. It doesn't work that way. We need to put the best foot forward in the year ahead. We need to do our best and God will do the rest. He always needed a yielded vessel to carry out His plans. Ecc 9:10 says, 'whatever your hand finds to do it will all your might'. God is looking at the kind of efforts you are taking to do what God has called you to do. When Jesus chose the disciples he was not looking for people who had nothing to do. He did not go for a bunch of lazy folks. He called the industrious men who will tirelessly work.

In the year ahead may you **enlarge your vision and live a life of excellence** in Jesus' name. Amen.

Merry Christmas & a prosperous new year!

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