

Not I But Christ: Ambitions for the New Year  
(Galatians Review)

To Be Ambitious: To have a goal, an objective, an intent or end in mind (“This time next year...”)

- Three way to get off track: 1) too religious 2) too selfish 3) too careless

Make It Your Ambition to Get Secure in the Truth of the Gospel – Ga 2:5,14

- Always God Centered: Ga 4:6
  - ...the loving heart of the Father – Ga 1:4; Jo 3:16
  - ...the atoning work of the Son – Ga 2:16; 2:20
  - ...the indwelling gift of the Holy Spirit – Ga 5:16
- Always Grace Empowered: Ga 2:21
  - ...everything Christian is freely received – Eph 2:7-10
- Always has Liberty As It’s Result – Ga 2:4; 5:1
  - ...the ability to function without hindrance according to its nature – Ga 5:22,23

Make It Your Ambition to Develop a Christ Plus Nothing Consciousness – Ga 2:20

- In Christ we are freed from sin – Ga 2:16; Col 2:13
- In Christ we are freed from the law – Ga 2:19,21; 3:1ff
- In Christ we are freed from fear – Ga 3:26-29
  - ...the fear of being orphans... second class status... insufficiency

Make It Your Ambition to Stand Firmly and Walk Freely by the Indwelling Spirit of God – Ga 5:1-6:8

- We stand firmly...
  - ...in God’s grace- Ga 2:21; 5:5; 6:18
  - ...in God’s truth – Ga 2:5,14
  - ...in God’s family – Ga 5:13
- Requires nothing less than walking by the Holy Spirit – Ga 5:16; 6:8
  - ...get in step with His intent/operation in us
  - ...“May it be done to Me according to Your word” – Lk 1:38