

Last Year's Conclusions

DO NOT FORGET TO REMEMBER...

We Have Received a Christ-enlivened Life - Jo 1:12; 3:16; II Cor 13:5

- We received "Him"/a Person - Col 1:27; 2:6; 3:4
 - ...making us "new creations" - II Cor 5:17; Col 3:9,10
- Christ Himself is our source/supply - Jo 1:16; Col 2:9,10

There Is Tremendous Value to Esteeming Christ Above All - Col 3:17

- He is God's definitive word on all that concerns us - Jo 1:1,14,18
 - ...giving Him the pre-eminence - Col 1:18
- Calling for a loving attentiveness to Christ in all things - Col 3:1-4
 - ...in a conflict of loyalties, Jesus Christ has the priority - Lk 5:1-6; I Pet 2:6

To Welcome a Christ-edited Life - Col 1:9-12; 3:19

- We invite His unbending truth and unending love to do His liberating work - Jo 8:31-32; I Jo 4:18
 - ...in the story of a changed life, nothing is wasted - Ro 8:28,29; Ro 11:36; Ps 119:91 ; Eph 5:20
- Every event is an "escort" into God's sovereign, loving, redemptive purposes - Col 3:11; Eph 1:23; II Cor 4:15
 - ...we are His workmanship - Eph 2:10; Phil 1:6

We Can Trust Christ to Express His Life in and through Us - Col 1:10; 2:6-7; Ga 2:20

- Nothing Christian is ever self-generated - Jo 15:5
 - Mary as an example: - Lk 1:26-38
 - ...we see how important it is to be honest - Lk 1:29,34
 - ...we recognize the necessity of humility - Lk 1:38; Ja 4:6
 - ...we must be willing to be the home of a Miracle Worker - Matt 19:26; Heb 11:6
- (No word of God is without His miraculous power - Lk 1:35,37)