

**Next Steps:** Resolutions... Have you made any for 2019? Most of us have made some resolutions over the years... but unfortunately 92% of us have failed to keep them. The reason for this is two-fold. First, our resolutions tend to be self-centered... on improving our lives and/or lifestyles. Second, don't normally ask anyone to hold us accountable for these resolutions.

Wouldn't it be great if we made resolutions that benefited others? And just to keep us moving forward with those resolutions why not share your resolutions with a trusted friend who can encourage you along the way?

In 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, the Apostle Paul shares a resolution with the Corinthian church that will benefit other people for all of eternity.

Read Philippians 2:1-11. What attitude should we have when we are talking to others about Jesus? Why is this attitude important? What can you do to better exhibit this attitude?

Paul was laser focused on helping people understand the important of Jesus' death on the cross. Read the following verses and briefly explain why the cross of Jesus is so important?

- John 15:13
- Romans 5:6-8
- 1 Peter 2:24
- 2 Corinthians 5:14-15
- 2 Corinthians 5:21

Faith in Jesus does not rest on persuasive words or human wisdom but on God's power. Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-31. Where does salvation come from?

**Next Week:** We will be taking a look at Jesus' teaching in Matthew 16:1-12 and how we can protect ourselves against false teaching.