

Uncharted Territory

Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. –Joshua 1:7

I was talking to my husband about what was accomplished during 2016 and what some of our goals are for 2017. A friend commented, “New Year’s resolutions?” and I realized that there was a big difference in what we want to accomplish for the Lord and what the world sets as New Year’s resolutions.

I have to admit as the calendar for 2017 lies before me, it is with great anticipation that I look to the future. On January 1, 2017, I begin to fill in those blank pages. I am ready to go forward with the LORD.

If we substitute the words “new year” in place of Jordan in Joshua 1:2 we read, “Now therefore, arise and cross over into the new year.” The scripture follows with promises of God’s gifts to his people. It is evident from Joshua 1 that God had great plans for the children of Israel and I believe He has great plans for Christians in 2017. God has prepared you for the opportunities He will give you this year.

None of us know what those opportunities will be. Some of us might prefer different situations but God has made the right choice for each of us and we need to be willing to embrace what God has for us in this year. We need to have faith to walk in the way he has prepared. He will guide you and direct you in thoughts, in words, and in actions.

*And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it. –
Isaiah 30:21*