# **Happy New Year**

# **Oprah Winfrey**

Cheers to a New Year and another chance for us to get it right

#### Malachi 3:6

"For I am the LORD, I do not change; Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.

#### **Mark Twain**

New Year's Day now is the accepted time to make your regular annual good resolutions.

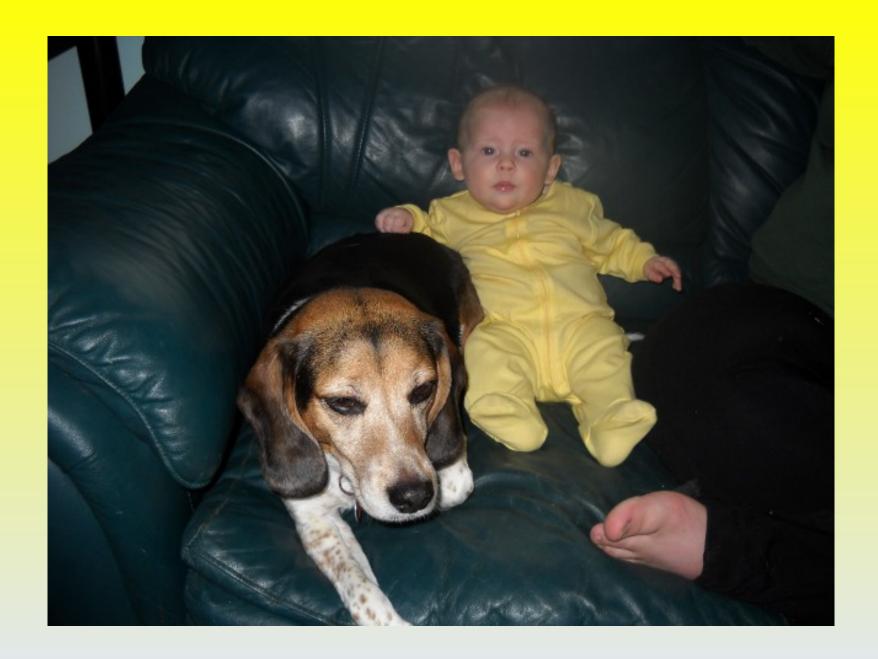
Next week you can begin paving hell with them as usual.

# **James 1:17**

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

#### **Hebrews 13:8**

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.



#### **Oscar Wilde**

Good resolutions are simply checks that men draw on a bank where they have no account.

# **Akhenaton** (Pharoah 1336 BC)

Those who gave thee a body, furnished it with weakness;

but He who gave thee Soul, armed thee with resolution.

Employ it, and thou art wise; be wise and thou art happy.

### **Jonathan Edwards**

(theologian, 1703-1758, attending Yale just as he turned 13)

Resolution One: I will live for God.

Resolution Two: If no one else does, I still will.

#### G. K. Chesterton (orator, writer)

The object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year.

It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes.

Unless a particular man made New Year resolutions, he would make no resolutions.

Unless a man starts afresh about things, he will certainly do nothing effective.

Unless a man starts on the strange assumption that he has never existed before, it is quite certain that he will never exist afterwards.

Unless a man be born again, he shall by no means enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

## Zephaniah 3:2

(speaking of Jerusalem)

"She obeys no one,
She accepts no correction,
She does not trust in the Lord,
She does not draw near to her God."

# I thank God for His "not guilty" verdict

as He looks upon Him

and pardons me!

All the while as we are stumbling and fumbling along in His creation,

He is unchangeable above

# As we close let us remember...

that God doesn't want your "new years resolution"

- He simply wants you to keep the old one.