

LIVING THE LIFE  
NEW YEAR'S 2013  
JOHN 10:9-10; EPHESIANS 4:25-32



### The Heart of the Matter

When the calendar turns and we face a new year, many of us ask ourselves common questions. *What changes will take place in my life this year? What difference will I make in the next twelve months? What faces will I not see at this time next year?* Each of these questions causes us to reflect upon the most significant things in life—growth, meaning, and life versus death. Since Jesus offered His people abundant life, it makes sense for His people to reflect on such significant thoughts. What better time for reflection on the big questions than at the start of a new year? Let's take a look at one passage of Scripture that offers practical advice about changes we could all make to follow Christ more faithfully and love our neighbors more fully in the year to come.



### Discovering the Way

#### 1. Living Well Today (John 10:9-10)

Are you living well today? Jesus promised His followers that through Him, we could experience abundant life.

#### 2. Making a Difference (Ephesians 4:25-32)

To make this year an improvement over last year, consider making changes in the following five areas: the truth, uncontrolled anger, stealing, the tongue, and the power of forgiveness.

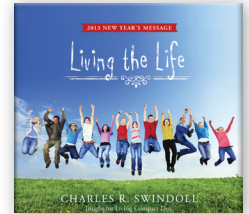


### Starting Your Journey

As you consider that your time on earth is limited, ask yourself two questions. Is there anything you need to “lay aside”? Are there some things you need to “put on”?



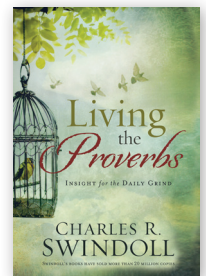
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