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“From Sin to Salvation”
Romans 6: 19-23

The new year of 2024 is here. Surely everyone wants the best for themselves and for sure those that are dear to them. We all have the best intentions in every category of our lives. To be better men and women, better Christians, just better at life than we have been in the past. But our intentions by themselves are no guarantee that they will become a reality. We remember the words in the novel *Of Mice and Men* written by John Steinbeck that says, the best laid plans of mice and men often go astray. We further know that the road to hell is full of good intentions. Needless to say, it takes hard work, blood, sweat and tears to make our intentions and plans a reality for something good. What stands in the way of good intentions often times is our lives get derailed and distracted by sin. We take our eyes off God and our evil desires begin to fill our physical and pleasurable thoughts that lead us astray. Sin can cause us to be disobedient to God and thereby will give way to behaviors that are not pleasing to God. The bible says that the wages of sin is death. We want to live and live abundantly. Thank God that God gives us an opportunity to repent, to turn away from behaviors that are displeasing and thereby we can be redeemed, brought back into God's family for service. Once we have repented and been redeemed God leads us to salvation. That eternal unity with God. Let our best intentions always be pleasing to God.

Be Blessed.

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