

Ridin' High Cowboy Church

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***“ ... I bring you good news that will cause great joy for
all the people.”***

Luke 2:10

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First Day of 2017, how's it going so far?

Do any of you plant to make a new year's resolution?
There are generally two ways to approach the new year.

Dreamers Optimism – anything is possible. (Goat, I can jump anything, climb anything, and if I can get my head through a hole, my whole body will follow!

Realist Pessimism – nothing is going to change. (Horse, everything wants to kill me, it's a trap, don't go in there!

Introduction: The Wright Brothers, Wilbur and Orville, owned a bicycle shop and watched birds and drew pictures of them. One day, one of them said to the other, I think it's possible, we can copy bird's wings and make men fly...ve4ry little money, no education, no training in engineering and a great chance they could die. They always thought it was possible.

Dr. Samuel Langley – Government paid him \$70,000 to invent a flying machine. He could not do it even though he had money, education, training in flight engineering.

The Wright brothers did it for less than \$1,000.

Live in the land of possibility.
Visit the land of reality.

What do you think is possible this new year?
If you think it's possible you're right
If you think it's not possible you're right

Do you think it's possible to take steps towards better finances, Marriage, Health?

Why? Possibility powers the progress in your life

Galatians 5

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is (this is a huge IS, it IS) ***love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.***

Focus on these words with me...

Love – this love starts in the mind not emotions, a deliberate choice

Joy – “Believers are not dependent upon circumstances. Their joy comes not from what they have, but from what they are; not from where they are, but from whose they are; not from what they enjoy, but from that which was suffered for them by their Lord.” (Spurgeon)

Peace – God is in control so I don’t have to be

Patience – waiting on God’s timing

Kindness – wanting the best for others

Goodness – Greek – Closely tied with generosity

Faithfulness – reliable to both God and man

Gentleness – teachable, moldable

Self-control – using your “self” on behalf of others, others first

The people in your life want this for you...God not only wants it, he says it is possible.

Every new year’s resolution falls in the category of these 9 things

Pick one of these this next year and work on, write it down several places.

Matthew 19:26 “With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

God’s greatest plan for you is Jesus, and with Jesus everything is possible.

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