

# HOW CAN I THRIVE IN 2019?

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## 3 VITAL HABITS I NEED TO PRACTICE IN 2019:

### 1. My **Focus** – Keeping my eyes on things that matter.

*And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.*

**Philippians 4:8 (NLT)**

### 2. My **Faith** – Be willing and eager to Trust God.

*In the same way, faith that is alone—that does nothing—is dead. Someone might say, “You have faith, but I have deeds.” Show me your faith without doing anything, and I will show you my faith by what I do. You believe there is one God. Good! But the demons believe that, too, and they tremble with fear. You foolish person! Must you be shown that faith that does nothing is worth nothing?*

**James 2:17-20 (NCV)**

#### ● **Prayer** – Committing everything to God.

### 3. My **Investments** – Investing whatever I need more of.

*Don't be misled. Remember that you can't ignore God and get away with it. You will always reap what you sow!*

**Galatians 6:7 (NLT)**

#### ● I need to invest in things **God cares about.**

*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

**Matthew 6:33 (NIV)**

#### ● I need to invest in my personal **growth & development.**

*Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.*

**Psalms 1:1-3 (NLT)**

#### ● I Need to Invest in **People.**

*I tell you, use your worldly resources to benefit others and make friends. In this way, your generosity stores up a reward for you in heaven.*

**Luke 16:9 (NLT)**

### 1. The People **in my Life.**

*Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.*

**1 John 4:11 (NIV)**

### 2. The People **in My Church Family.**

*Now all of you together are Christ's body, and each one of you is a separate and necessary part of it.*

**1 Corinthians 12:27 (NLT)**

*Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.*

**John 13:35 (NLT)**

### 3. The People **in my Community.**

*You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world—like a city on a hill, glowing in the night for all to see.*

**Matthew 5:13-14 (NLT)**

*“Come and see,” he said. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place, and they stayed there the rest of the day... “Nazareth!” exclaimed Nathanael. “Can anything good come from there?” “Just come and see for yourself,” Philip said.*

**John 1:39, 46 (NLT)**

*To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who are unfaithful, even what little they have will be taken away.*

**Matthew 25:29 (NLT)**

*So don't get tired of doing what is good. Don't get discouraged and give up, for we will reap a harvest of blessing at the appropriate time.*

**Galatians 6:9 (NLT)**