

A man with a backpack is walking away from the viewer down a long, straight asphalt road. The road has a dashed yellow center line and solid white edge lines. In the distance, a large mountain rises, and a large cross is silhouetted against the bright, low sun on its peak. The sky is filled with soft, orange-hued clouds, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is one of journey and spiritual pursuit.

THE ROAD TO RENEWAL LAMENTATIONS 5:21

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How Will You Start the New Year?

- **Where will you be when you get where you are going?**
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- Where will your life be, if you continue to have the same attitude?
- Where will your life be, if you continue to spend money the way you are now?
- Where will your life be, if you continue to have the same old habits?
- Where will your life be, if you continue that particular friendship?
- Where will your life be, if you stay just the way you are while focusing on others and how they need to change?



Solomon's Wisdom

■ **Ecclesiastes 3:1** –

To everything there is a season,

A time for every purpose under heaven





For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven.

Ecclesiastes 3:1



How Will I Face 2026?

- **Hebrews 9:27** - 27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,...



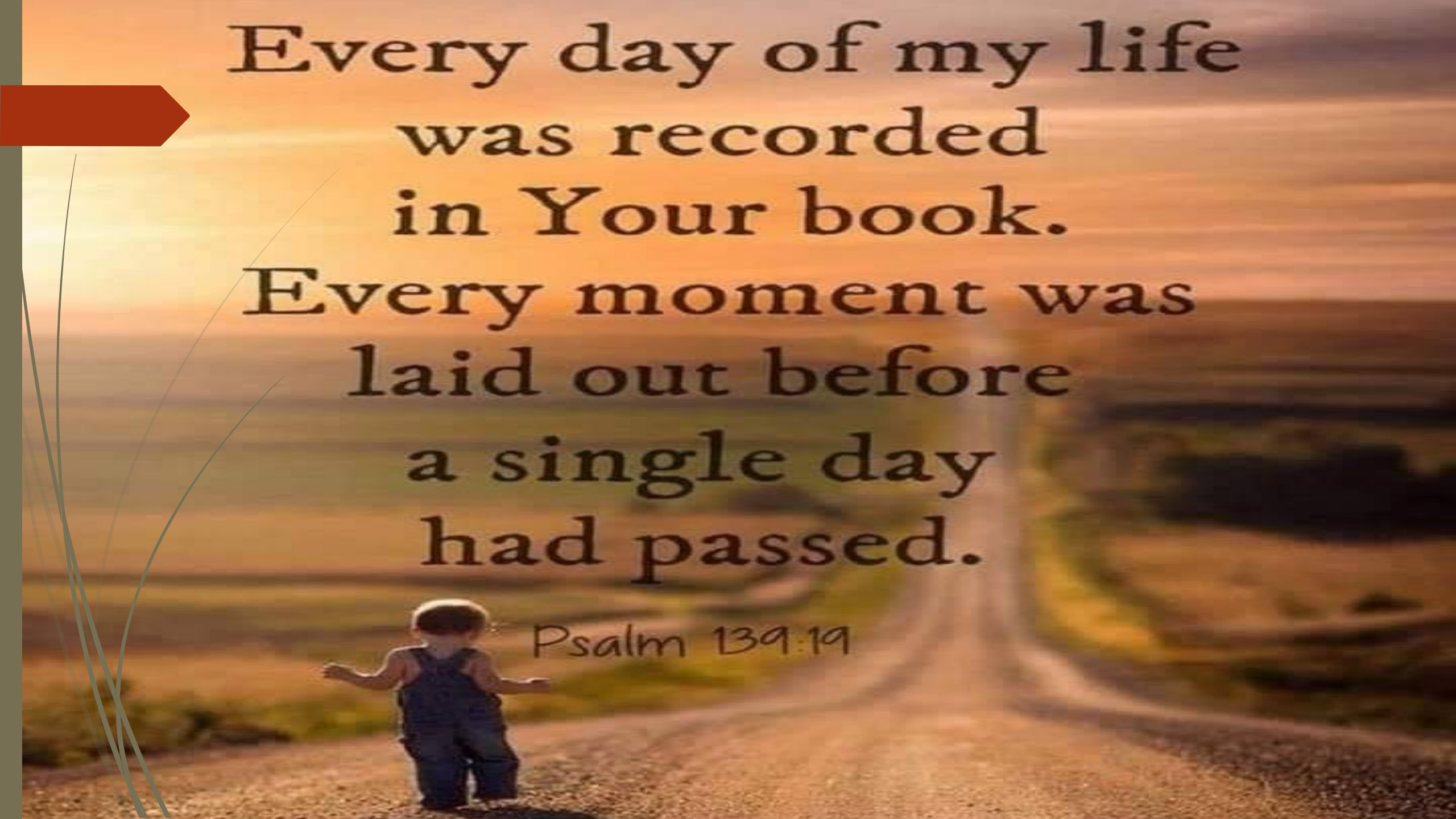
*Prayer
is one of the most
loving things*



*a couple can
do together.*

-E.B.



A young child in dark overalls is walking away from the viewer on a dirt path that curves into the distance. The scene is set at sunset or sunrise, with a warm, golden glow over a field. The text is overlaid on the upper half of the image.

Every day of my life
was recorded
in Your book.

Every moment was
laid out before
a single day
had passed.

Psalm 139:19



Questions for 2026

1. Will I run out of year before I run out of life . . . Or, will I run out of life before I run out of year?
2. Do I see the real need to make things better in my life . . . Or, will I continue to neglect making the changes that I have been aware of needing to make for a long time?
3. Will this New Year find me more faithful to the Lord . . . Or, will it find me less faithful to the Lord?
4. If death should claim me this year, what part of eternity will claim me when I pass from this life?




Renew Our Days of Old



Lamentations 5:21 –

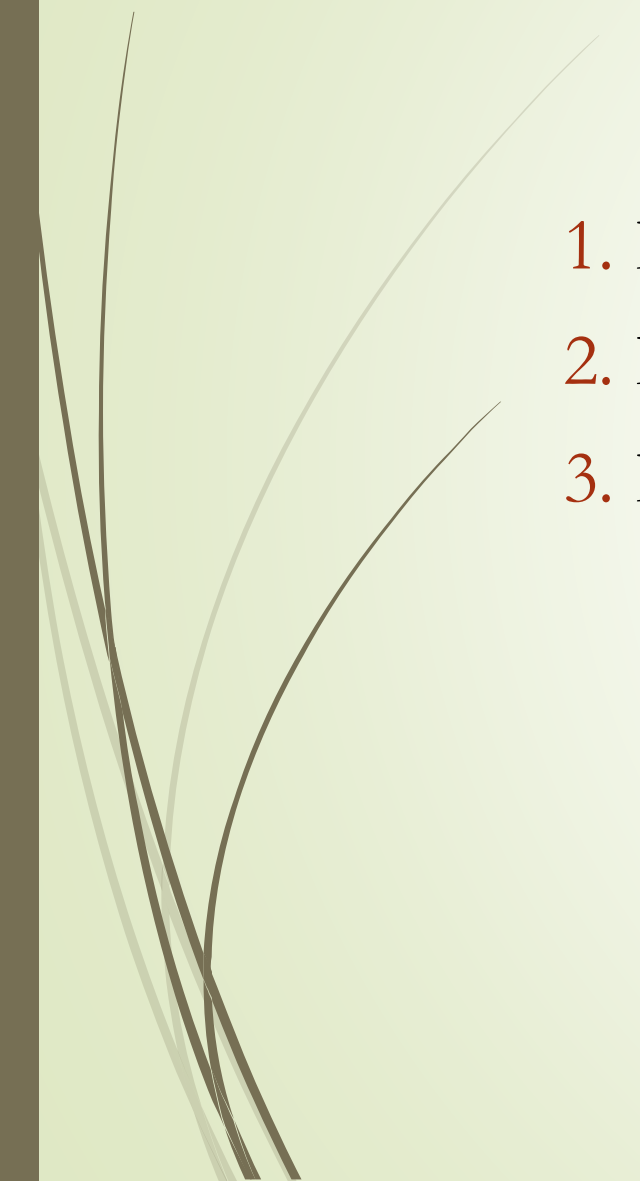
Turn us back to You, O Lord, and we will be restored;
Renew our days as of old...







3 Areas Needing Renewal for 2026

1. Renewal of our MINDS
 2. Renewal of our STRENGTH
 3. Renewal of our STEADFASTNESS
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Please Excuse the Mess During Renovation

"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you **THINK**. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect"

(Romans 12:2 NLT)





Renewal of Our Minds

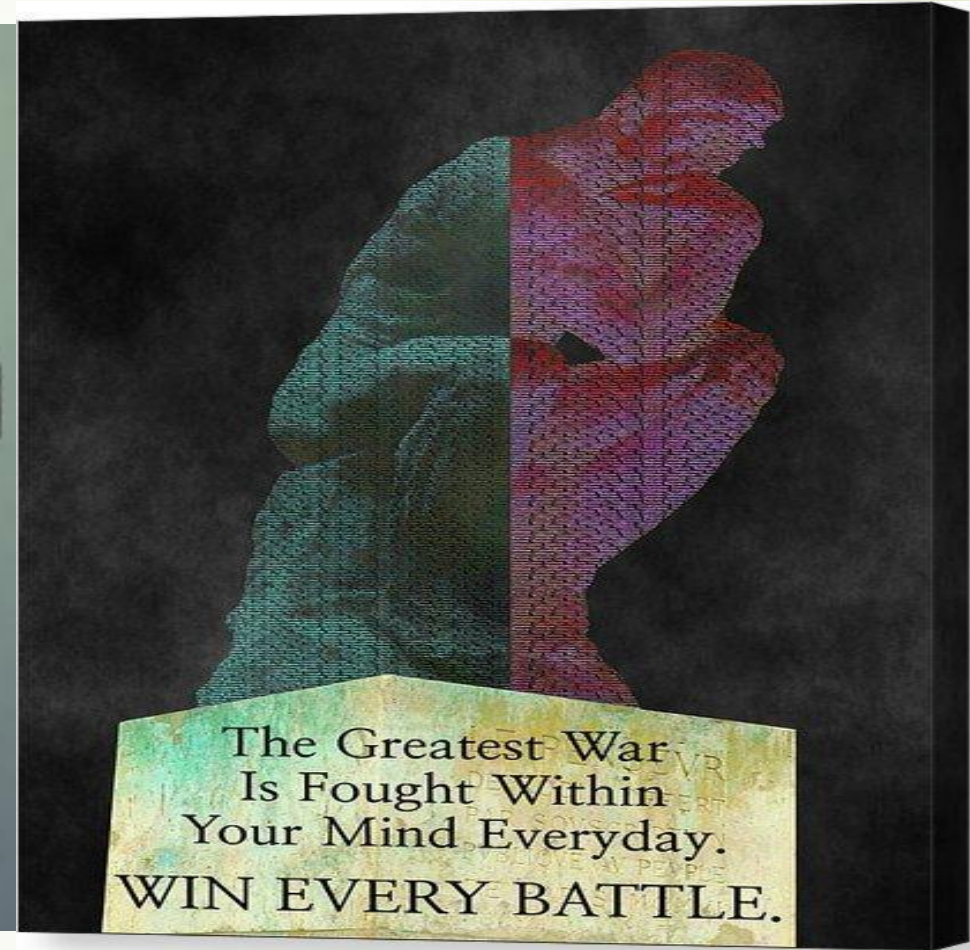
- **Romans 12:1-2** - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.


The Battle is Real

The Battle For Our Mind



The Greatest War
Is Fought Within
Your Mind Everyday.
WIN EVERY BATTLE.






If the mind of man was not important to God, then the devil would not want control of it.

- **1 Corinthians 2:16(b)** - But we have the mind of Christ.
- **Philippians 2:2-5** - 2 fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. 3 Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. 4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. 5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus...



Truly Renewing Our Minds

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- To truly renew our minds is to make them more Christ-like in every way. In so doing:
 1. We will THINK differently.
 2. We will TALK differently.
 3. We will ACT differently.

Renew Our Strength







Renewal of Our Strength

- **Isaiah 40:28-31** - 28 Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable. 29 He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength. 30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall, 31 but those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.



My Grace is Sufficient for You – My Strength is Made Perfect in Weakness


- **2 Corinthians 12:9** - 9 And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.”
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Lord is Strength in Time of Trouble

➤ **Psalm 37:39** –

But the salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;
He is their strength in the time of trouble.








Renewal of Our Steadfastness



Psalm 51:10 –

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a steadfast spirit within me.



1 Corinthians 15:58 - 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren,
be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of
the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.



Renewal of Our Steadfastness

- **Hebrews 12:1-2** - Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

2026 – Look Unto Jesus

