

# 2016 is Over!



# OPPORTUNITY



# Opportunity

1. an appropriate or favorable time or occasion
2. a situation or condition favorable for attainment of a goal
3. a good position, chance, or prospect, as for advancement or success



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# THE INSANITY *of* GOD

A TRUE STORY OF  
FAITH RESURRECTED

NIK RIPKEN



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making the most out of 2017



# The Year of the Lord's favor



# Favor - Demonstrated Delight



## Luke 4: 18 - 19

18 “The Spirit of the Lord is on me,  
because he has anointed me to  
proclaim good news to the poor. He  
has sent me to proclaim freedom for  
the prisoners and recovery of sight for  
the blind, to set the oppressed free, 19  
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s<sup>1</sup>  
favor.”



**Today  
is the first day  
of the rest of my life**



**Why let your yesterday  
steal your tomorrow?**



# How do I walk in God's Favor?



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1. Faith



# Hebrews 11: 6

6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.



# Matthew 13: 58

58 And he did not do many miracles there because of their lack of faith.



# How do I walk in God's Favor?

1. Faith
2. Obedience



# Ephesians 4: 22 - 24

22 You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; 23 to be made new in the attitude of your minds; 24 and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.



# Psalm 5: 12

12 “Surely, LORD, you bless the righteous; you surround them with your favor as with a shield.”



# How do I walk in God's Favor?

1. Faith
2. Obedience
3. Surrender



## James 4: 6 - 7

6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.” 7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.



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