How Do I Become a New Person?

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Top 5 2023 New Year’s Resolutions

1. Exercise more – 52%

2. Eat healthier – 50%

3. Lose weight – 40%

4. Save more money – 39%

5. Spend more time with family/friends -37%

Q: what would God want for you as a new year’s resolution?

John 14:16-21 & 23-26

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

23 “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. 24 Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

25 “All this I have spoken while still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Theme & Goal:
The Holy Spirit **C**  a **N**  person in you.

* You are not trying to **I**  yourself into a **B**  person; rather The Holy Spirit is creating a **N** person in you.
* 2 Corinthians 5:17 [New King James Version] Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.
* “God became man to turn creatures into sons: not simply to produce better men of the old kind but to produce a new kind of man. It is not like teaching a horse to jump better and better but like turning a horse into a winged creature.” C.S. Lewis
1. Who is the Holy Spirit?
2. The Holy Spirit is the Third **P**  of the **T** .
* The Holy Spirit is not an **I** , but a **P** .

The Holy Ghost…?

The personal pronoun ‘He’ and ‘it.’

Another advocate, comforter, counsellor,

He can rejoice

He can grieve

He can love

1. The Holy Spirit is **G** .

Another Advocate

1. What does the Holy Spirit do?
2. The Holy Spirit **L**  in you.

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

1. The Holy Spirit **REVEALS** the truth about Jesus Christ

John 14:17 the Spirit of truth

14:26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

1. The Holy Spirit enables you to **E**  as a child of God.

Romans 8:14-16

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. 15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.

1. The Holy Spirit is **A**  **A**  just like Jesus Christ.

Parakaleo: to advocate

Para: to stand alongside

Kaleo: to declare, argue & defend

1 John 2:1

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

What is your nugget?

A promise to **C** ?

A sin to **C** ?

A challenge to **A** ?