



# How to Plan a Successful New Year

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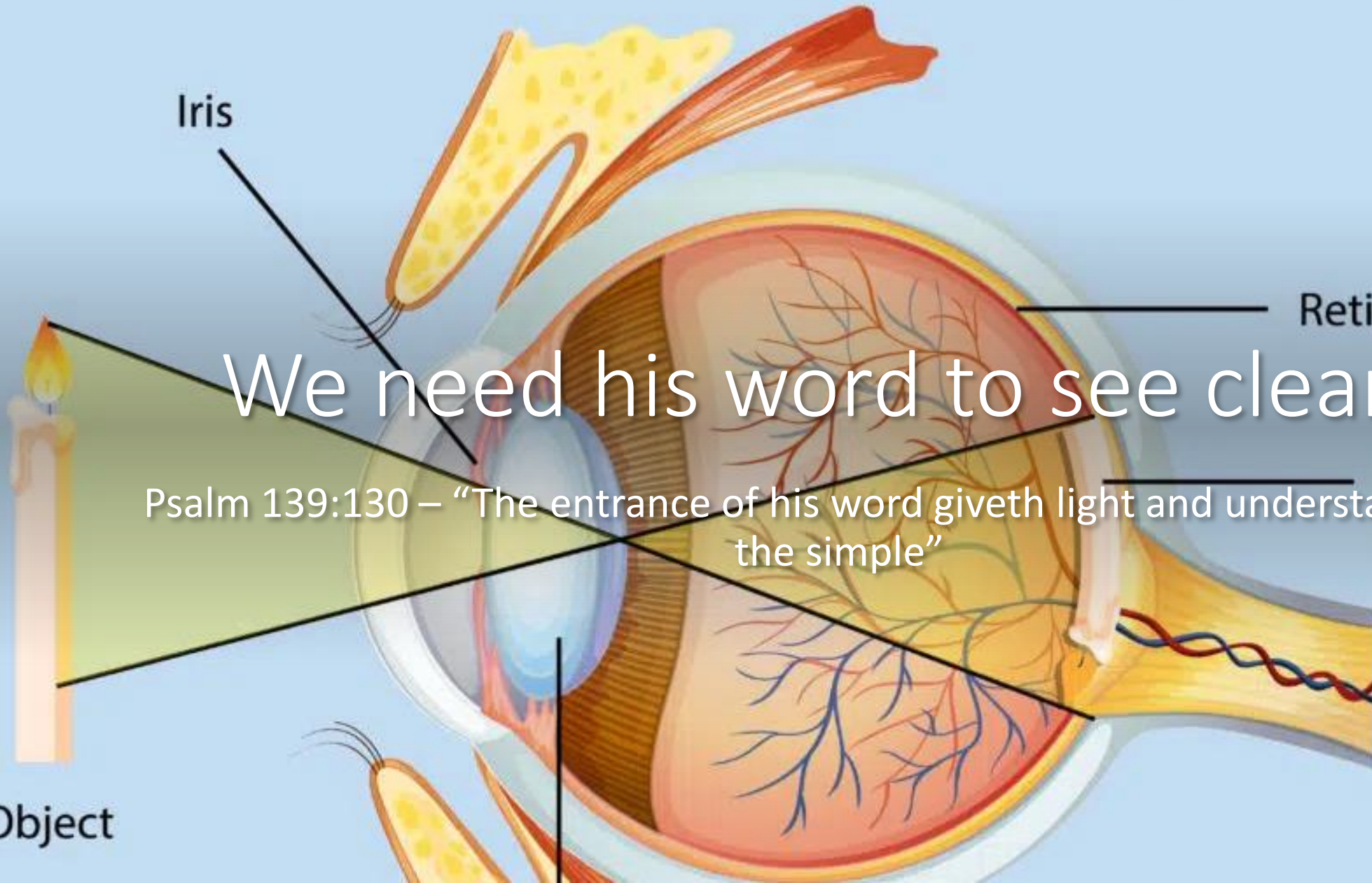
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We need his word to see clearly

Psalm 139:130 – “The entrance of his word giveth light and understanding to the simple”

Inverted Image  
of object

Object





# Foundation Scripture

Luke 14:38-30 (Amp) - **28** For which one of you, when he wants to build a watchtower [for his guards], does not first sit down and calculate the cost, to see if he has enough to finish it? **29** Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is unable to finish [the building], all who see it will begin to ridicule him, **30** saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish!'





A woman with long dark hair, wearing a bright blue short-sleeved top and a matching blue skirt, stands with her back to the camera on a rocky outcrop. Her arms are outstretched horizontally, palms facing up, in a gesture of prayer or surrender. She is looking out over a dramatic, mountainous landscape. In the background, a large, rounded mountain peak rises above a deep valley filled with lush green vegetation. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. The overall mood is one of peace, contemplation, and connection with nature.

## Planning A Retreat

**Spiritual Retreat** – time alone with God through prayer, reflection and meditation to seek out the *will*, *wisdom* and *ways* of God during a transition, a new season or summoning from the Holy Spirit.

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# Retreat

**1. To be serious with  
God (*Trust*)**

**2. To be transformed  
(*Transformation*)**

**3. To be  
exceptionally  
valuable (*Transition*)**





Thanksgiving

B. Review my  
progress from  
the previous  
year



A close-up photograph of a hand reaching upwards, palm facing up, towards a bright, hazy sun. A faint rainbow is visible in the background, creating a spiritual and hopeful atmosphere.

## 6 Things to Bring Before the Lord

# **1. Spirituality**

A. Evangelism

B. Word Study

C. Prayer

D. Spiritual Growth



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## 2. Mind and Mental State (mind, will, imagination, emotions, intellect)

- Did I coordinate with word of God to grow my mind?
- What was my visual and audible library this year?
- Does my mental condition immobilize me from pursuing my purpose?
- Is the Holy Spirit my primary counselor?
- Is better good enough?

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### 3. Physical Health

- A. The Law of Territory
- B. Do I have a healthy diet?
- C. Do I have a regular exercise routine?

*3 John 2 – “Beloved I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in good health even as thy soul prospereth?”*





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## 4. Assignment on my life

- A. Can I say I moved from prophecy to manifestation?
- B. Do I know my calling and did I pursue it (universal and personal)

*Hebrews 10:7 KJV — Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.*

*Ecclesiastes 5:3 KJV — For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fool's voice is known by multitude of words.*

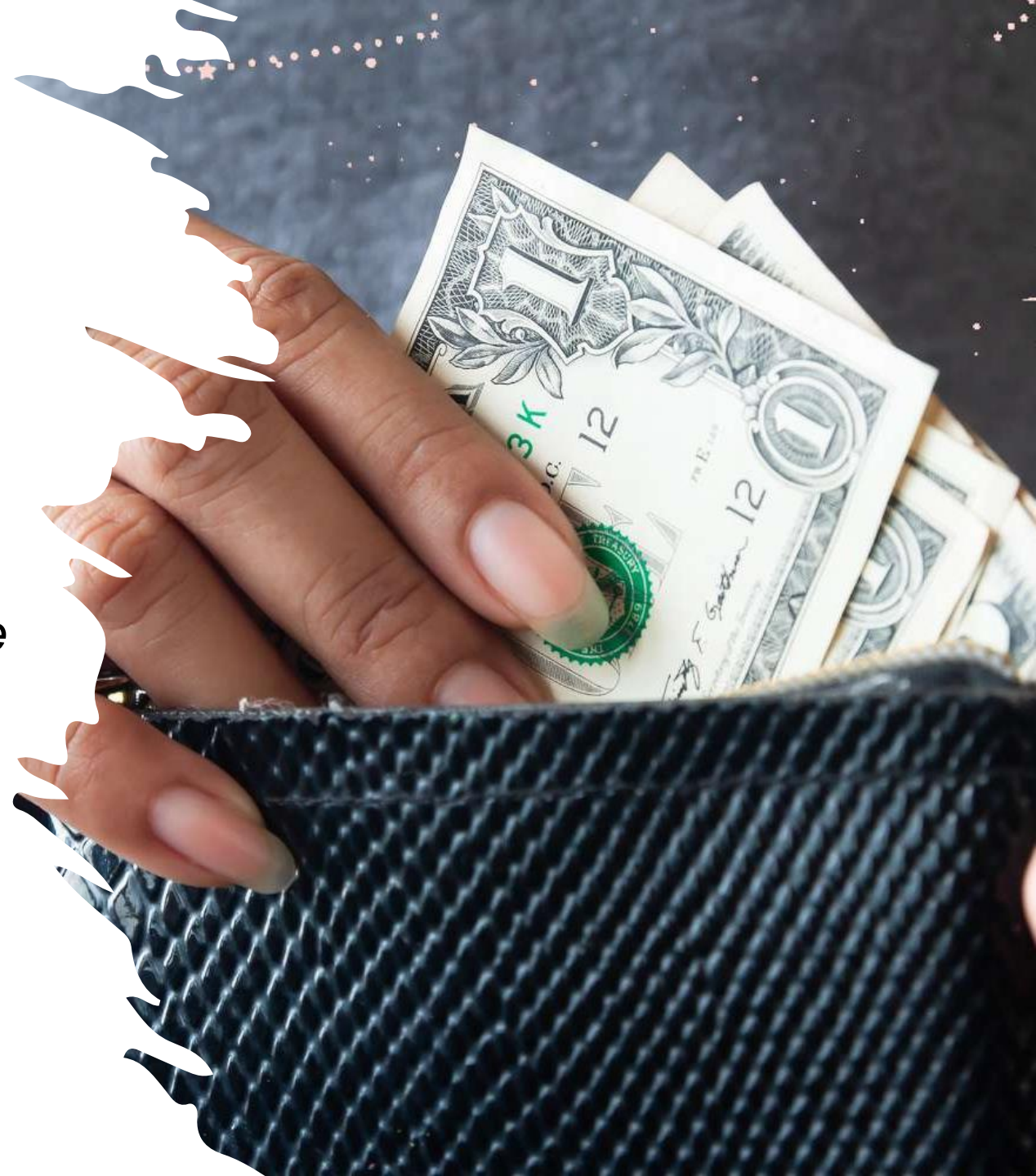
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## 5. Finances

1. Poverty
2. Contentment
3. Overflow
4. Overindulgence
5. Greed

*Proverbs 23:4 – “labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.”*

*Philippians 4:12 (NIV) – “I know what it is to be in need and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation whether well fed or hungry whether living in plenty of in want”*







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## **6. Relationships**

- 1. Destiny Connectors**
- 2. Men of influence**
- 3. Gifted People**
- 4. Burden bearers**

*Proverbs 13:20 KJV — He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.*