## New Beginnings

**Psalm 32:8** [**LB**] – I will instruct you (says the Lord) and guide you along the best pathway for your life; I will advise you and <u>watch your progress</u>.

**Proverbs 29:18** – Where there is no <u>vision</u>, <u>the people perish</u>: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

**Ephesians 5:15, 16 [AMP]** – Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise (sensible, intelligent people), <sup>16</sup> Making the very most of the time [buying up each opportunity], because the days are evil.

**Proverbs 4:20-22** – My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. <sup>21</sup>Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; <sup>22</sup>For they are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh.

**Luke 17:20, 21** – Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; <sup>21</sup> "nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you."

Jeremiah 15:15-21 [NLT] – Then I said, "LORD, you know I am suffering for your sake. Punish my persecutors! Don't let them kill me! Be merciful to me and give them what they deserve! <sup>16</sup> Your words are what sustain me. They bring me great joy and are my heart's delight, for I bear your name, O LORD God Almighty. <sup>17</sup> I never joined the people in their merry feasts. I sat alone because your hand was on me. I burst with indignation at their sins. <sup>18</sup> Why then does my suffering continue? Why is my wound so incurable? Your help seems as uncertain as a seasonal brook. It is like a spring that has gone dry."

<sup>19</sup> <u>The LORD replied</u>, "If you return to me, I will restore you so you can continue to serve me. If you speak words that are worthy, [AMP: cleansing your own heart from unworthy and unwarranted suspicions concerning God's faithfulness] you will be my spokesman. You are to influence them; do not let them influence you! <sup>20</sup> They will fight against you like an attacking army, but <u>I will make you as secure as a fortified wall</u>. They will not conquer you, for <u>I will protect and deliver you</u>. I, the LORD, have spoken! <sup>21</sup> Yes, <u>I will certainly keep you safe from these wicked men</u>. <u>I will rescue you from their cruel hands</u>."

<u>Matthew 28:18-20</u> – And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup> "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

**Luke 6:40** – A <u>disciple</u> is not above his teacher, but everyone who is <u>perfectly</u> <u>trained</u> will be <u>like his teacher</u>. **AMP** – A pupil is not superior to his teacher, but

*everyone* [when he is] <u>completely trained</u> (<u>readjusted</u>, <u>restored</u>, <u>set to rights</u>, and <u>perfected</u>) <u>will be like his teacher</u>.

**Luke 5:37-39 [NLT]** – And no one puts new wine into old wineskins. The new wine would burst the old skins, spilling the wine and ruining the skins. <sup>38</sup> New wine must be put into new wineskins. <sup>39</sup> But no one who drinks the old wine seems to want the fresh and the new. 'The old is better,' they say."