

# FRESH START

## **Introduction:**

Happy New Year! We all have a chance for a Fresh Start. Will you take it?

## **Scripture:**

*To comfort all who mourn,  
and provide for those who grieve in Zion—  
to bestow on them a crown of beauty  
instead of ashes,  
the oil of joy  
instead of mourning,  
and a garment of praise  
instead of a spirit of despair.*

*They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
a planting of the Lord  
for the display of his splendor.*

*-Isaiah 61:3*

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## Discussion Questions:

1. Are you the favorite in your family? Who is the favorite? What does it feel like to be the favorite? What does it feel like to **not** be the favorite?
2. How do you get God's attention?
3. What makes you feel good about yourself?
4. Mark talked about Jesus dying for us "while we were not \_\_\_\_\_." Fill in that blank.
5. What can you do this year to help you remember to wear a "garment of praise" rather than a spirit of despair?