

**Psalms 90:15-17 (NLT)**

*Give us gladness in proportion to our former misery!*

*Replace the evil years with good.*

*Let us see your miracles again; let our children see your glory at work.*

*And may the Lord our God show us his approval and make our efforts successful.*

*Yes, make our efforts successful!*

**This was written 15 years ago back in 2004**

As you may know from a recent devotional, I just celebrated my ten-year anniversary at my job. Ten years, it seems like a long time ago, but I still remember it like it was yesterday. I remember how I used to be.

Ten years ago I was not walking with the Lord. I was living in sin with another woman and spent a lot of time at nightclubs.

It wasn't a very pretty life.

Ten years ago if you had told me that I would be teaching the bible over the Internet and reaching thousands around the world (literally) for almost six years now, I would have laughed in your face.

But the Lord has done a lot of things in my life over the last ten years. So much more than just allowing me to stay at my job that long.

No, for the past ten years the Lord has given me a new life in Jesus Christ that I never had before. The Lord has allowed me to go through some good times as well as some bad times to help me to grow in my walk with Him.

The Lord has taken things from my life, not because He is mean, but because He loves me and knows what is good for me, and what is not.

I could go on and on with what the Lord has done in just the past ten years in my life.

So the question today is, what about you and your life?

We are quick to look at our own accomplishments in life, but today instead of reflecting on what you have done the past ten years, reflect on what the Lord has done in your life these past ten years.

Once you start to think about it, it will blow you away how far you have come, and to think that He's not done yet.

✠ **Phil 1:6 (NLT)** *And I am sure that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on that day when Christ Jesus comes back again.*

And now here it is 15 years later (A total of 25 years) and it has only gotten better, all because of the Lord and the changes He has done in me and through me.

Man, if you have not given your life to Jesus yet, you are missing out on so much. Not that all your problems will magically go away, but rather when you have problems you know you are not walking through them alone.

Also being obedient to the Lord will bless you in so many ways. Yes, financially, because you are no longer wasting your money on worthless junk and also by the Lord giving you wisdom on what to buy and what not to buy.

I no longer drink so no worries about getting in an accident, or being thrown in jail or losing my license because I was driving drunk, and I sure don't miss the hangovers. Even the friends you have will be so much better, because Christian friends do not lead others to do wrong or bad things and they don't use you either, but rather they support you and give wise counsel.

And a man or woman will actually love you for who you are, and not for your body or money.

I could go on and on, but I dare you... No, I triple dog dare you to give your life to Jesus! After you do, soon you will be saying: ***Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips shall praise You. Psalm 63:3***