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Ecclesiastes 1:9, "The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun."

It has often been said that "I made this" or "I made that". True, we take various ingredients and mold them, or shape them, or put them together, to "make" a new toy, a different cake, a dish, or whatever. However, that which "makes up" the item (which has never been put together in that manner before), are not new. The basic ingredients (atoms and molecules) have been here since God created the earth. All things that were made were made by Him, including the atoms themselves. Man has only been able to take that which has already been, to "make" (put together) things which we have been able to use over the years. God is the **ONLY ONE** that can make something out of nothing and He did that at Creation. We are about to enter a new year; one that will be filled with a certain amount of joys and also of sorrows. We have all the basics we need to make it as joyous as possible. There has been and always will be a certain amount of bad elements to contend with during the year. The bottom line is that God has blessed us so much over the years, that we now have a blessed hope that He will bless us continually in the New Year to come. Philippians 4:13 reminds us of His promise to be with us and help us in all things we lay our hands to do. Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Will I make any New Year resolutions? **NO!** Why Not? Because I know me and that I come short more than I care to. Let me leave you with Something To Think About. Take that which God has blessed you to use and make something out of it that is to the Praise, Honor, and Glory to God. Then turn to II Timothy 1:12, "...for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." Now... Happy New Year and be sure to... Think About IT!