

# Message Notes

Pastor Steve Durand

---

---

**Date:** December 31, 2017

**Bible Focus:** Lamentations 3:21-24

**Message Title:** The Key to a Happy New Year

---

---

<sup>21</sup> Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: <sup>22</sup> Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. <sup>23</sup> They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. <sup>24</sup> I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."

What to call to mind as you look back at 2017 and look ahead to 2018:

- God's steadfast \_\_\_\_\_
- God's unfailing \_\_\_\_\_
- God's abundant \_\_\_\_\_
- God's absolute \_\_\_\_\_

## Life Group Message Discussion Questions

Lamentations 3:21-24

1. Read Lamentations 3:21-24. How have you specifically experienced or witnessed God's love, mercy, faithfulness, and all-sufficiency in your life this past year? How does this impact the way you think about the upcoming year?
2. What is the significance of God's compassions and mercies being new every morning?
3. How are the concepts of "waiting" and "hoping" in God connected to one another? As you consider the message and the context of today's verses, what do you think it means to wait for God?
4. What are you facing right now that is too big for your wisdom and strength? How might reminding yourself of who God is give you hope as you face these particular challenges?