

A script from



## **“My Resolutions List”**

**Adult Version**

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- What** A man/woman is challenged to list his/her goals for the New Year. **Themes:** New Year, Resolutions, Goals, Change, Self-improvement, Character, Making God Famous, Accountability
- Who** 1 Actor
- When** Present
- Wear (Props)** Piece of paper with a list of goals
- Why** 2 Corinthians 5:17, Philippians 3:13-14
- How** This is a short monologue that is perfect to set up a sermon or message. Keep the dialogue conversational. There are two different options for male and female dialogue, so the actor can be either.
- Time** Approximately 2-3 minutes

*Actor addresses the audience.*

Now that Christmas is over and everything I asked for on my list was given, I am thinking about another list. What a concept- my husband/wife still asks me to make a list for Christmas and for the most part- it's there. I get what I asked for. Then, my small group leader (*or wife, husband, pastor, mentor, best friend, etc.*) said write down 3 things you want to change about your life in the New Year. Why does he/she always feel the need to "challenge" me with such things? Right, I know the church answer, "to draw us closer to God." Still...

Another list. This time it's not me handing the list off to someone, but it's me really writing things down that I want to see happen. (*Pulls out the list*). That makes it really scary 'cause I know me. I don't get things done in a timely manner. I found my list from last year that I did in front of the TV on New Year's Eve watching Ryan Seacrest and Dick Clark (*or whoever is on TV that year*). Yay! That was a barrel of fun. (*Pulls it out of other pocket*). Let me read it to you:

Top 3 things I want to change for the New Year:

**Guy List:**

Conquer \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of popular video game*). Which I did, by the way. Very proud of that. (*Kind of cocky*) Didn't take me all year either. I'm what they call a "gamer".

To fix the toilet that she (*looks at the audience*), my wife, wants me to look at. I haven't done this. I tell the kids just to hold down on the handle and count to ten and normally everything is fine. Except for our youngest. She can only count to 5. That does present a problem, but the toilet is fine. It's...fine.

To take my wife out on more dates. One a month. Now, ok...see...the thing is...I wanted to. My heart was there but life got in the way. Or my wife would say 'Halo 3' got in the way... (*Or whatever is a popular, well known video game for the time*). I think she's just mad that I never fixed the toilet.

**Girl List:**

Fit into Skinny Jeans. This didn't happen...nor do I think it will ever happen. What a horrible name for jeans- "skinny" jeans. You can't brand other jeans without the same type of finesse: "middle of the road" jeans, "hip-challenged" jeans, "feels like a pant-suit" jeans.

To be the type of mom that other moms envy. I don't really know what I meant by this, but I did have one friend look at me and say, "Tina, I envy you." Then she just stopped. She didn't say why she envied me or if she

was being sarcastic. I would like to say I nailed this one, but I should have been more focused on my kids than what other moms think of me.

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**ENDING:**

If you don't mind, let's talk in a year. Putting these dreams on paper makes it too real. I need to walk the walk before I talk the talk. That line always sounded so churchy or cliché, but that's what I will have to do. Speaking of church, since I'm going to have to say this to my small group as well, my ultimate dream is to...make God famous.

I don't know how all that's going to happen, but I at least, with my talents and gifts, want to figure that out. To have at least a seed of insight so I can build off that for the following year. Whether your list is on paper or in your head or on your heart, pray for me and I will pray for you to be all we can be for the purpose of... *(Suddenly realizes)* God things! *(Lights out.)*