



Don't Quit Part 1 - June 5, 2016

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## Warm Up

Each of us has a desire for new things. We start each "new" year with a desire to change things and make this year better than last. The reason we struggle to actually make those changes is that we try to change things from the outside rather than let God change us from within. Yet God is there waiting to help us not to quit.

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## Into The Bible

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come." - 2 Corinthians 5:17 ESV*

*"Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded." - James 4:8 ESV*

- Discuss what becoming brand new in Christ means to you.
- Real change happens from the inside out. Why do we so often buy into changing from the outside in? What makes outside-in change not work?
- The key to closeness with God, according to James 4:8, is that we first draw close to Him. How are you drawing near to Him?

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## Application

We normally start the year with a new set of resolutions. We aim to make the changes in our life. Most can be on the outside. What changes did you aim to make on the inside? Discuss with someone this week how you are doing with how you started. Find time for intimacy with the Lord and talk to Him about how you're doing.

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**Summer is on it's way. We have VBS coming June 27-29. Please for our outreach effort and also for volunteers for this life changing event. summer comes vacations and family trips.**

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**This week pray for the families that are dealing with health issues. Please Pray for Emma Joy McDonald.**

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**Please pray for these Life-giving Churches in our City: Sagebrush Community Church and First Baptist Church.**