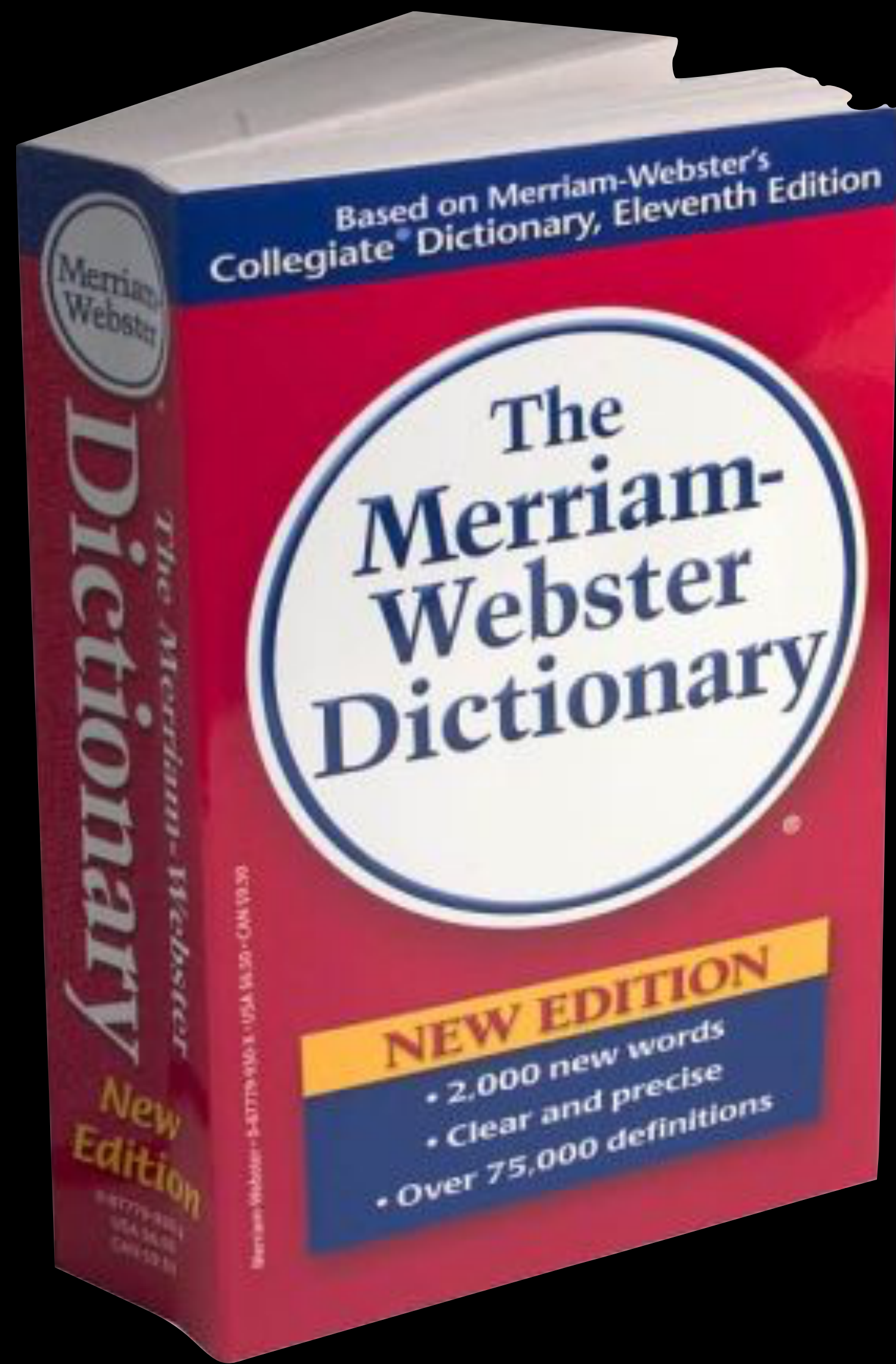


Resolving Things In

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noun

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2 the action of solving a problem, dispute, or contentious matter

3 the passing of a discord into a concord during the course of changing harmony.

4 the conversion of something abstract into another form.

1 a firm decision to do or not to do something:

In order to overcome a struggle, you must end the struggle. You must stop doing what you are doing in order to stop doing it! The reason why people cannot stop doing what they want to stop doing is because they really do not desire to stop doing it.

The power to end a struggle comes from God and His wisdom, not our own. But in order to hear from God and put our bodies in a position to obey Him, we must deny our bodies certain privileges. Fasting is the biblical way to tame our flesh and end struggles.

Col. 3:5 Then put to death your bodies which are of the earth; wrong use of the flesh, unclean things, passion, evil desires and envy, which is the worship of strange gods;





2 the action of solving a problem, dispute, or contentious matter.

When solving most problems one must first understand the origin of the issue. Understanding why a problem exists is the key to resolving it and moving forward. When we know how the issue arises, we can stop them from occurring again.

Our goal should be to allow biblical precepts to constitute our handling of all problems and disputes, while putting our personal feelings aside. Following these steps will bring a Godly resolution to the matter while laying all arguments to rest. When problems are solved based on the Bible then it will remain resolved!

2Tim. 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

3 the passing of a discord into a concord during the course of changing harmony.

Sowing discord is a thing that God really hates. When you sow discord among the brethren, you are a cancer in God's body and He will take swift action against you. Discord will always infect the person spreading it as well as those that they spread it to. It causes people to lose faith and hope in God and in His processes. Discord can lead people to hell. Turning discord into concord is simply deciding to live harmoniously with others and speak blessings instead of curses.

We must be careful what we say and how we handle God's Word, His church, and His leaders. The very concord that we exhibit in the Body of Christ will saturate our being and cause harmony within our marriages, children, and our bodies.

Matt. 18:7 Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

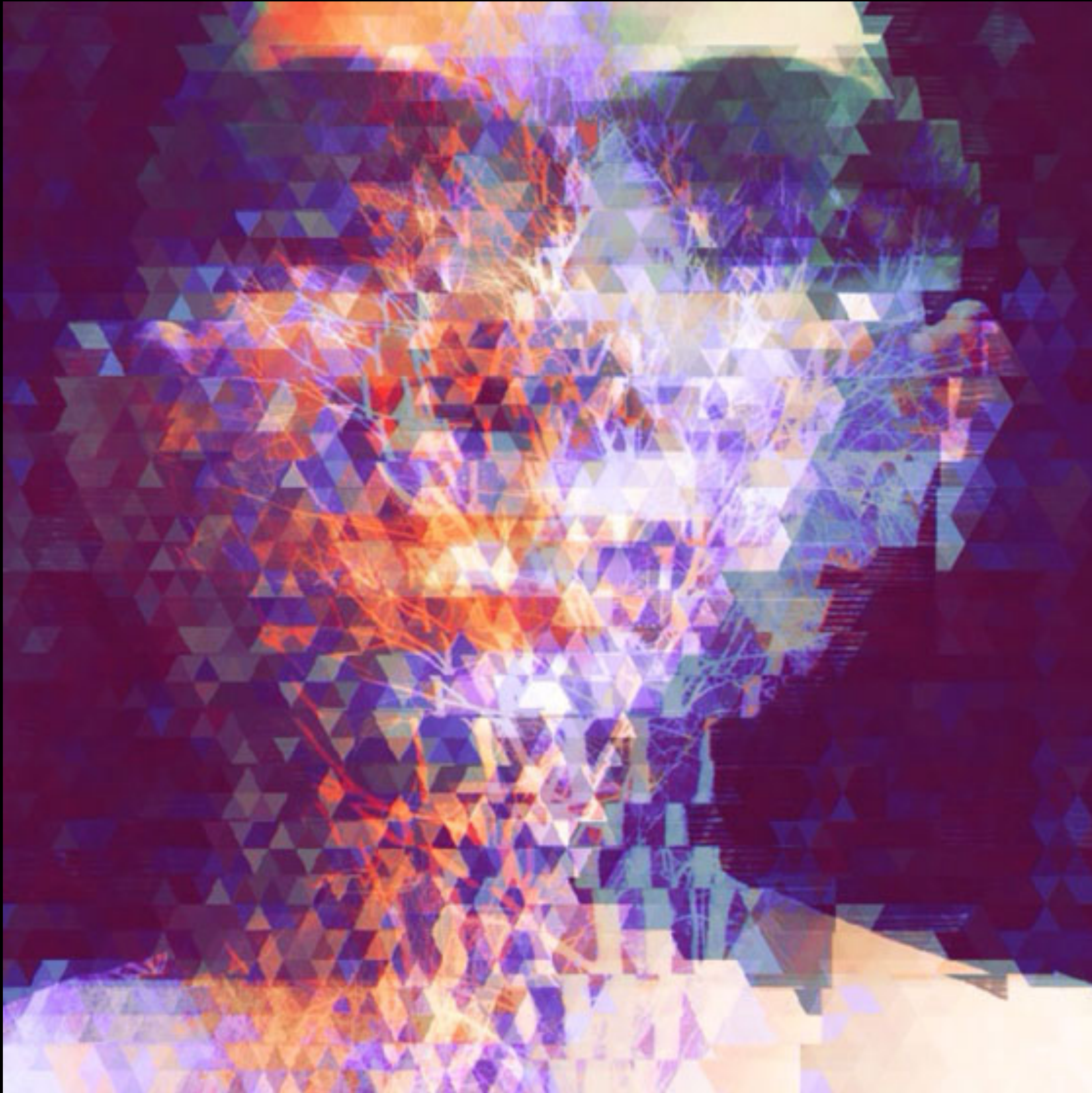


4 the conversion of something abstract into another form.

When something is abstract, it is easily misunderstood. To resolve this, it must be converted to a better form so that understanding can be brought to it. Similar to adjusting a photograph or television, when the resolution is adjusted properly, the image can be understood. We must work harder at adjusting how we portray ourselves so that we can be understood. God's Word can only work where there is understanding.

It is time to remove ourselves from the false security of vague ambiguity. Hiding behind a misunderstood "you" to protect yourself from hurt makes you abstract and incurable. We can only be understood when we reveal who we really are. Hiding to protect ourselves from hurt keeps us abstract and hinders us from truly being understood and loved. It's time to allow God's Word to penetrate our self-image and reveal who He truly made us to be.

Prov. 18:24 A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly:



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2017 needs to be a year of resolving things. We need to stick to the things that we have purposed in our hearts to resolve and not allow another year to pass without sincerely changing. The enemy loves when we vow to change things and never do. Inconsistency causes us to lose hope and causes us to adopt our issues into our character. This effects our reasoning and judgment so that we never can truly repent. After all, repenting is not just saying I'm sorry, but it should bring resolution to the issue. True repentance means to turn from it and to avoid it. When an issue is resolved, it brings hope for all other issues in our lives to be settled. Let's make 2017 a year of overcoming these tough obstacles so that our resolutions can finally, once and for all, be fulfilled.

Deut. 23:23 Whatever your lips have said, see that you do it; for you gave your word freely to the Lord your God.