

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. RESOLUTION FATIGUE: NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN** (Eccl.1:9, etc.)
- B. DIVINE FAITHFULNESS: NEW EVERY MORNING** (Lam.3:21f; see Ps.42,43)
- C. PROVIDENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES: YEAR, MONTH, WEEK, HOUR, DAY, MINUTES**
- D. EDWARDS: RESOLUTIONS, PROCRASTINATION**

II. NEWNESS IN THE SERMON LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

A. TRUMPET FANFARE (1:1-4)

1. *new* revelation of God the Creator, Provider (radiant substance in revelatory form)
2. *new* Prophet, Priest & King
3. *new* is infinitely superior to old
4. subsequent themes: old/*new*, first/*second*, good/*better*

B. OLD & NEW

1. New COVENANT (8:8,13; 9:15; 12:24 (brand new); see Jer.31:31-34; 16:14,15 & 23:1-8; see Lk.22:20 (Heb.10:18f); 1Cor.11:25; 2Cor.3:6)
2. new & living way (10:20,19f; 16,17 = Jer.31:33,34)
3. old, disappear; new, appear (8:13; see 7:23; Acts 13:36; 2C.4:16f || *booster rocket; chrysalis; photo*)

C. FIRST & SECOND

1. second COVENANT (8:7,13; see 9:1f; 10:9,10; 4f; see 1Cor.15:22,45,47)
2. second veil (9:2,3; 6,7)
3. second advent (9:28; see 1Cor.1:7; 2Th.2:8; Tt.2:13; Rev.19-22)

D. GOOD & BETTER (BEST)

1. better name: Son (1:4; i.e., Person & Work, 1:1-3)
2. better hope: draw near to God (7:18,19; 25; 9:11; 10:19f; 12:18f)
3. better COVENANT: guaranteed priesthood (7:21-25; i.e., oath-bound, eternal)
4. better COVENANT: effective sacrifice (8:6f,10b,12; 10:4f)
5. better sacrifice: incarnate (9:23f,26; **10:4f**; 12:24 (11:4); see 1:1-3)
6. better possession (city, country): heavenly, eternal (10:34; 11:10,16; 13:14; see Lk.12:33; 18:2; Jn.6:27; 1Tm.6:17f)
7. better resurrection: heavenly, eternal (11:35; see 12:23; Phil.1:23)
8. better calling: after effective completion (11:39,40; see 9:9; 10:1)

III. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Brethren, what shall WE DO? (see Acts 2:37f)