



"FRESH MERCIES FOR A NEW YEAR"

Framework:

- Explain to your family or friends that today you are having church at home (*Give everyone a copy*)
- Start the time by singing one familiar worship song everyone is familiar with.
Recommended song: Firm Foundation by Cody Carnes (*check playlist sent by email*)
- Pray for the Lord to bless the time together

Introduction:

Title: Fresh Mercies for a New Year

Text: Lamentations 3:22-23

Big Idea: God's love and mercy renew daily, offering us hope, faith, and a fresh start for the year ahead.

The New Year is a time of beginnings—a moment to look back with gratitude and forward with hope. The prophet Jeremiah wrote Lamentations during a time of great distress, yet he found comfort in the truth of God's unchanging love and mercy. As we reflect on this passage, we are reminded that each day, and each year, is a new opportunity to experience God's faithfulness and to trust Him with our lives.

Reflection Questions:

1. Looking Back: How have you seen God's steadfast love and mercy in your life this past year? Share specific examples as a family.
2. Renewed Mercies: What does it mean to you that God's mercies are "new every morning"? How can this truth shape the way you approach challenges and opportunities in the coming year?
3. Faithful God: In what ways can you and your family depend on God's faithfulness more fully this year? Discuss practical ways to grow together in faith, prayer, and service.

Closing Activity: As a family, take a few moments to write down three goals for the New Year: one spiritual, one relational, and one personal. Pray together, asking God for His guidance, strength, and renewed mercies to accomplish these goals while relying on His faithfulness.

Recommended song: Close by singing Faithful then Faithful now (*check playlist sent by email*)

Have a blessed new year!