

# Resolutions

When God saw that every inclination of man's thoughts were evil all the time he decided to wipe mankind from the face of the earth ...

But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.

When God heard about the wickedness of Sodom and Gomorrah he went to find out if the reports were really true ...

But Abraham prayed to the Lord.

When God heard the sound of idolatrous revelry in the camp he was going to destroy them and start afresh ...

But Moses offered to be blotted out of God's book instead.

And when God stated that it was impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins ...

Jesus said, "A body you have prepared for me ... I have come to do your will, my God"

Jesus resolved to go to Jerusalem.

Jesus resolved to drink the cup his Father had given him.

Jesus prayed, "Not my will but yours be done."

Jesus offered up his spirit, and breathed his last.

But ... it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him! Hallelujah!

May all our decisions, resolutions and actions throughout 2018 be shaped by grace, prayer, mercy and sacrifice. And may all be motivated by thankfulness that, "The Son of God loved me and gave himself for me."

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