

NEW BEGINNINGS (Pastor David Richards | Sunday, July 19, 2026)

When You Find God, Everything Changes

Theme Verse

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NLT)

"This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!"

Big Idea

A new beginning doesn't happen because our circumstances change. A new beginning happens when we encounter God.

POINT ONE

New Beginnings Begin When We Rediscover God's Truth

2 Kings 22:11 (NLT)

"When the king heard what was written in the Book of the Law, he tore his clothes in despair."

Revival always begins when God's Word moves from the shelf into our hearts.

POINT TWO

New Beginnings Begin When We Encounter Jesus

Acts 9:3-6 (NLT)

"As he was approaching Damascus on this mission, a light from heaven suddenly shone down around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?' 'Who are you, Lord?' Saul asked. And the voice replied, 'I am Jesus, the one you are persecuting! Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do.'"

Jesus doesn't simply improve lives. He gives entirely new lives.

POINT THREE

New Beginnings Change Others Around Us

Matthew 5:16 (NLT)

"In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."

God changes one life so that one life can change many others.

CONCLUSION

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You can't experience a new beginning until you're willing to let God interrupt your current direction.