Setting Our Faces:

"Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem..."

--Luke 9:51

Sterizo – lit. to turn resolutely, set fast

Spend more time in God's Word

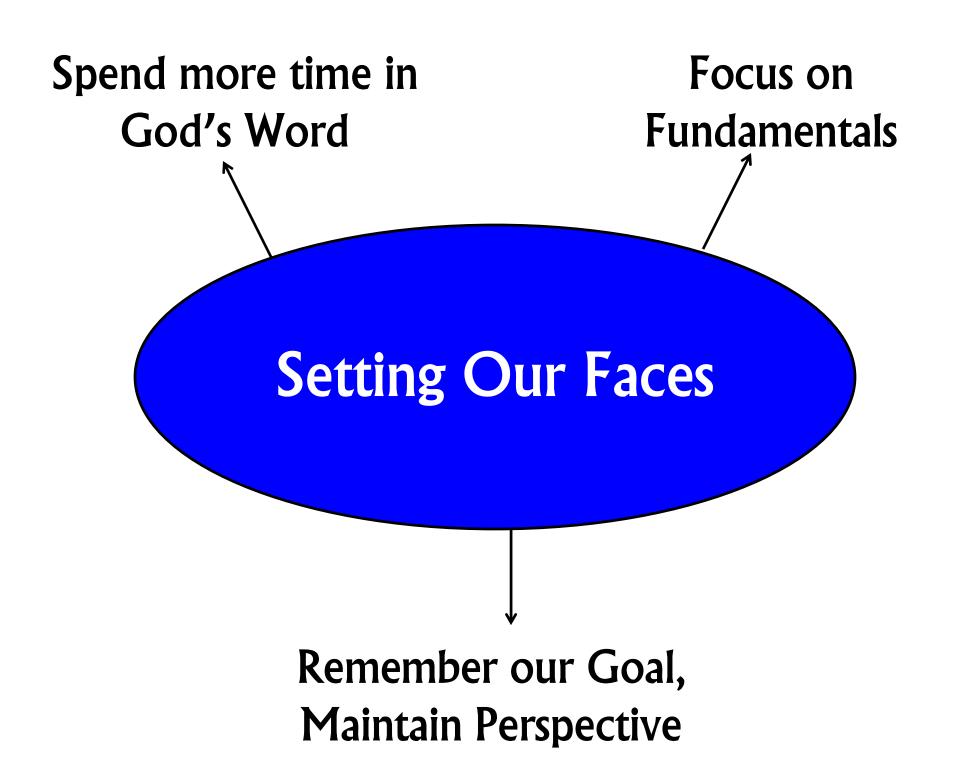
- 2 Tim. 2:15, Heb. 5:13-14, 2 Pet. 1:12 ("established")
 - "research or a detailed examination and analysis of a subject, etc."
 - Psalm 1:1-2 "Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night."

Focus on fundamentals

- I Cor. 11:28, 2 Cor. 13:5
 - Sit down and look at yourself and areas of your character you need to improve – make a list w/ Scripture:
 - Helping brethren, neighbor, show love for others
 - Prayer
 - Attitudes, selfishness
 - Sinful weaknesses: tongue, etc.

Remember our goal, maintain perspective

- 2 Cor. 4:16-18 Be faithful amid trials
 - We cannot forget that this world is not our home – we are looking forward to a better one
 - Rom. 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose."
 - 2 Pet. 3:13 "Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells."



New Year's Resolutions

"A course of action determined or decided on; set in purpose"