**How to Have the Worst Year Ever** (graphic)

#1 Be a **complainer**!

#2 Be **selfish**!

#3 Be **afraid**!

#4 Try to do it **alone**!

#5 Be **Stressed**!

#6 **Don’t change** a thing!

*“Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again expecting different results.” -Albert Einstein*

(Proverbs 26:11)

“As a dog returns to its vomit, so fools repeat their folly.”

We are to **change** as we **grow**.

Change is a **must**, but change is a **choice**.

1. Complacency **kills**.

(Proverbs 1:32)

“For the waywardness of the simple will kill them, and the **complacency** of fools will **destroy** them.”

*"Complacency is a blight that saps energy, dulls attitudes, and causes a drain on the brain. The first symptom is satisfaction with things as they are. The second is rejection of things as they might be. "Good enough" becomes today's watchword and tomorrow's standard. Complacency makes people fear the unknown, mistrust the untried, and abhor the new. Like water, complacent people follow the easiest course -- downhill. They draw false strength from looking back."*  -- *anonymous*

Complacency is being untroubled with where you are while being unaware of the **danger** of your **inaction**.

1. Listen and **live**.

(Proverbs 1:30-31)

“Since they would **not accept my advice** and spurned my rebuke, they will eat the **fruit of their ways** and be filled with the fruit of their schemes.”

(Proverbs 12:15)

“The way of the fool seems right to them, but the wise **listen** to advice.”

1. **Never stop** growing.

(Hebrews 5:11-12)

“We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you **because you no longer try to understand**. In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God’s word all over again. You need **milk**, not **solid food**!”

(Hebrews 6:1)

“Therefore **let us move** beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to **maturity**,”

 If you want to have the worst year ever, **don’t change a thing**.