On Wings of Eagles

Entering a new year can be a bit like closing the door on the past and opening a new door to the future—entering a place filled with new possibilities and adventure. This can be both exciting and daunting.

Exciting because it’s nice to feel like you’re getting a new start, the chance to improve skills or areas of your life. And it’s exciting to know that new adventures await you—perhaps the opportunity to try out for a sport, or to look forward to summer vacation and all the fun you will have then.

At the same time, it may seem daunting. You have an idea of much of what you will be doing almost every day of this coming year—going to school, doing homework, and the activities you began last year. And maybe you’re not feeling too great about that. There is also the unknown of the year ahead that you may feel apprehensive about.

If you feel more daunted than excited, it can be comforting to know that God can give you the strength to face this new year and help you not feel overwhelmed. “Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”

God can help you get from the start to the end “soaring on wings of eagles.” And He can stir hope in your heart and help you look forward to this new year and all the great things that will come your way.

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1 Isaiah 40:30–31 (NIV)