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Chaplain's Report

Am I the only person that likes new things? I highly doubt it. What can you think of that is better than that "new car smell". Probably not too much out there but I am sure you all can think of a few things. When I was 12 years old, I saved up my money and got myself a brand new Swiss Army knife. It was so awesome, with all the new gadgets, I was careful when I used it because I didn't want to wear off its newness. After a while it hit me, what was it good for if I wasn't going to use it. I still have it today, but I keep it safe. Yes I used it for a lot of my teenage years, but I put it away so that I can give it to my son one day. Can you think of something so precious in your life that you didn't want to use it because of its value or maybe it was very sentimental to you. I know God can name one. He gave his most precious possession, his son Jesus. That's what Christmas was all about. It's a new year and with a new year comes new beginnings. I'm not talking about resolutions that will eventually be broken by the end of the month, let Jesus guide your life and you will see a change in 2010.

Three things in life that, once gone, never come back:

1. Time
2. Words
3. Opportunity

Three things in life that can destroy a person:

1. Anger
2. Pride
3. Unforgiveness

Three things in life that you should never lose:

1. Hope
2. Peace
3. Honesty

Three things in life that are most valuable:

1. Love
2. Family & Friends
3. Kindness

Three things in life that are never certain:

1. Fortune
2. Success
3. Dreams

Three things that make a person:

1. Commitment
2. Sincerity
3. Hard work

Three things that are truly constant:

Father - Son - Holy Spirit That encourages me!

God Bless You in 2010!

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