



HAPPY ABOUT THE NEW YEAR?  
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BUT THE SAME OLD WORLD



# HEADS UP!

God is up to something great



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Rescue me, my God!

Slap all my enemies in the face!

Shatter the teeth of the wicked!

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May you bless your people.



## David's "many enemies"

- Family (eg. Absalom - *Tamar*)
- Friends (eg. Ahithophel - *Bathsheba*)
- Citizens (eg. Shimei - *Saul*)

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- Conscience : shame, guilt
- Character flaws : sin
- Accusation : "This is how it must be. God will not save me."
- Hopelessness.





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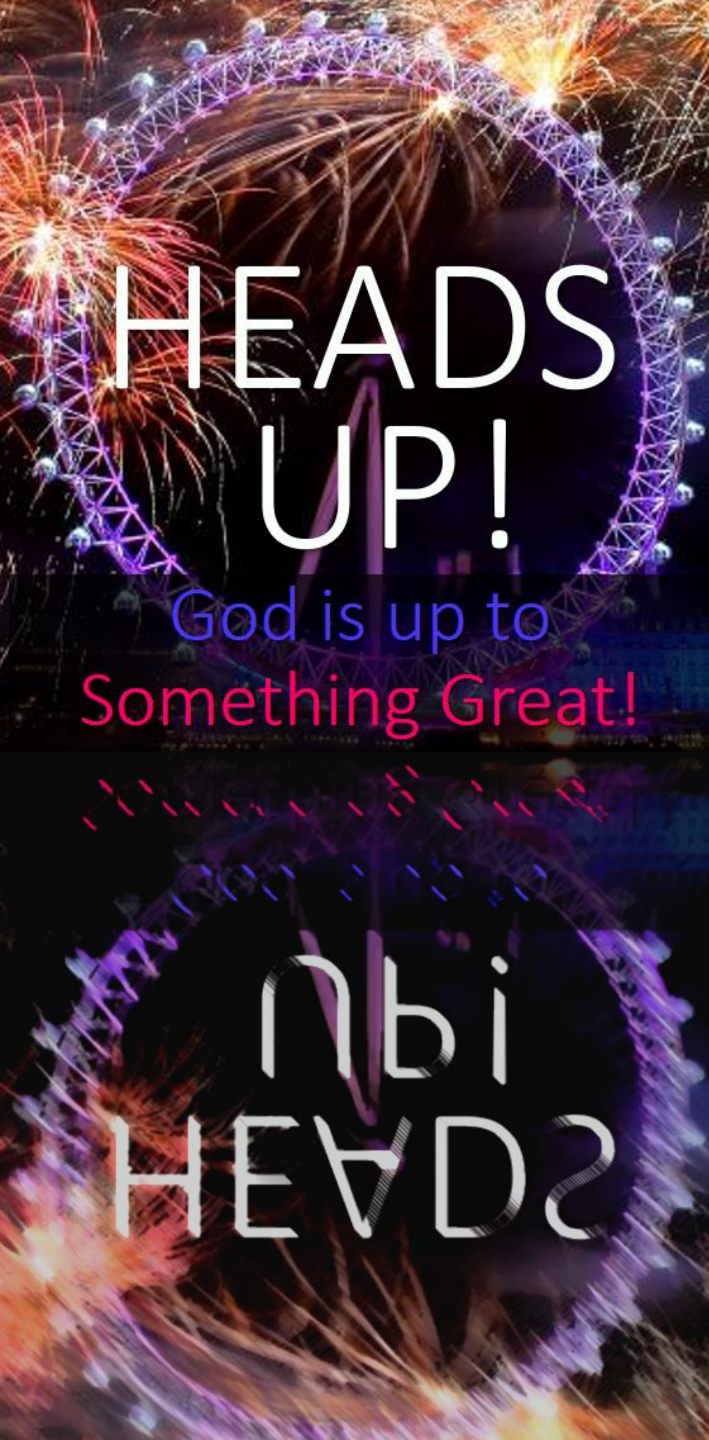
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1. Unburden your heart.
2. Confess your faith.
3. Present your pleas.
4. Thank God's faithfulness.
5. Ask for his grace!

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