

December 31, 2023

Why have a Verse of the Year?

Depending on how many services and Bible studies you have attended each week, you could have

heard 150 or more sermons or sermonettes this year. We have some very bright people at PFBC, but I'm confident in saying that none of us can remember and apply all that we have heard from God's Word.

Some messages will hit home with you, and other messages will hit home with someone else, but having a Verse of the Year gives us all a baseline to shoot for.

Our Staff and Support Staff made it super easy to think back on "Letting your Yes be Yes and No be No." We should have been seeking and striving to be honest in all of our dealings in 2023.

PFBC's Verse of the Year will glorify our Father in heaven by applying His Word to our lives.

PFBC's Verse of the Year will help us to memorize Scripture. PFBC's Verse of the Year will help us edify our brothers and sisters in Christ.

May we all seek to memorize and apply **Matthew 5:37** as we move into the new year. What we say and do matters! Why on earth would people trust us about Jesus and about salvation if they can't trust us with the other things that we say?

Our message title is "2023 Year End Message," and it comes from **Matthew 5:37**. Our points will be:

- 1 2023 Verse of the Year
- 2 2023 Year in Review Video
- 3 2024 Preview
- 4 2024 Verse of the Year

2023 Year End Message Matthew 5:37

How have you applied Matthew 5:37 to your life	
2023?	
 Do you actively consider your reputation as a 	
Christ-follower? Explain.	
What do you hope to learn from our studies in 2024?	
 List some of the gifts, talents, and abilities that G 	od
has given you. Are you exercising them regularly	?
 Does what you say you believe match how you live 	/e
your everyday life? Explain.	