

Prayer for the New Year

At the start of each New Year, millions of people make resolutions with themselves, citing things like I will exercise more, quit smoking, stop drinking, find a new job, mend broken relationships and so forth. It all sounds good.

This year, rather than a resolution I want to encourage you to make a New Year's prayer and watch how the Lord moves on your behalf. My prayers are primarily for spiritual growth, restoration, forgiveness and unconditional love. Noted below is an example of a prayer.

Lord Almighty,

I thank you for who you are, for your mercy and grace. I thank you for your patience and unconditional love for me. Lord, you alone are worthy of praise and worship, of honor and glory. You are Holy and righteous. I worship you because you are my God. You alone are God, there is no other.



Lord, I sit at your throne of grace asking you to teach me your ways. Transform me into the likeness of Christ, that people will see you in me. Help me to extend kindness, patience, love and mercy to others.

Lord, I re-consecrate myself to you right now. Cleanse me from all unrighteousness. Lord, purify my heart and mind. Give me a united heart dedicated to your righteousness and to fulfilling your will and your purpose. Keep me from willful sins, selfish ambition, disobedience, pride, arrogance, judging, evil thoughts, and self righteousness attitudes. Protect me from the schemes of the enemy and his dark forces. Help me to keep my eyes fixed on you and not on circumstances that surround me. Thank you for all that you have entrusted to me. Help me to be a good steward. You are my God and I trust you. My hope is in you.

(Insert your requests for family, friends and self)

This New Year I want to know you, the Living God. Help me to trust you more and to walk in obedience before you. Lord, I thank you for hearing and answering my prayer. Thank you for all you have done and for everything you will do for me and my household. Lord, I worship you. Lead me and guide me. Reveal your truth to me. I know you are more than able to complete what you have started in me. In the name of Jesus Christ I pray this prayer. Amen.

I suggest writing your New Year's prayer in a journal. Writing it helps to keep the right perspective of his awesome provision and faithfulness.

Have a blessed New Year!