

A New Years Prayer

Dear God,

After a year like 2020, I find myself hesitant, and even a bit afraid for what's to come. This past year has stripped us of so much, I only hope that 2021 will be better.

Lord, help me to reflect on the last year and learn and grow from it. Show me the idols I've kept tightly and help me to remove them from my life. Show me the ways I have failed you and let me actually receive your forgiveness, grace, and mercy.

Fix my eyes upon you, and you alone.

God, use my pains and sufferings and allow it to strengthen me. Let me never forget what you have shown me. I know I am missing so much, Lord, so open my eyes and my heart.

Open my eyes to see the sufferings of others and break my heart for the things that break your heart.

Open my eyes to my sins, and help me repent and truly ask for forgiveness.

Lord, help me keep my trust in you and only you. Not in the current administration, not in the development of a vaccine, not in the job market, not in the world, Lord.

I want this New Year to be all about You. Please guide my steps and help me be bold and courageous in my faith.

If my dreams and passions are God-given, then help me push forward, but not at the expense of my faith or my family. Lord, keep my priorities in line, and my gaze focused on you.

In Your Sons Name,
Amen.

