



NEW YEAR'S PRAYER FROM MY HEART TO YOURS

FATHER, YOU ARE THE KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS, SOVEREIGN OVER ALL THINGS. YOU KNOW EACH HEART DRAWN TO THIS SPACE. YOU PLANNED TO MEET HER HERE. YOU CREATED HER HEART. YOU KNOW HER EVERY NEED, HER DEEPEST DESIRES, AND HER SCARS. LORD, I ASK THAT IN THIS NEW YEAR, YOU WOULD FALL AFRESH ON HER.

FATHER, YOU ARE HOLY AND CALL US TO BE HOLY. YET, WE CONFESS THAT SO OFTEN OUR HEARTS WANDER FAR FROM YOU. OUR SPEECH DOES NOT GLORIFY YOU, AND OUR ACTIONS DO NOT HONOR YOU. TENDER OUR HEARTS TO RECEIVE THE WORDS YOUR SWEET SPIRIT HAS TO SPEAK TO US. CLOTHE US WITH HUMILITY. TAKE AWAY OUR DESIRE TO ALWAYS BE RIGHT AND HAVE OUR OWN WAY. HELP US TO SEEK YOU FIRST IN ALL THAT WE SAY AND DO. HELP US TO SUBMIT TO YOUR WORD AND ALLOW IT TO PENETRATE THOSE DEEP PLACES IN OUR HEARTS THAT RESIST CHANGE. IF NECESSARY, PUT US THROUGH THE REFINER'S FIRE TO BURN OFF THOSE CHARACTER TRAITS THAT KEEP US FROM WALKING IN STEP WITH YOU.

FATHER, GIVE US HEARTS THAT LOVE AND SEEK AFTER TRUTH ABOVE ALL ELSE. GIVE US WISDOM AND DISCERNMENT TO REJECT THE LIES OF THIS WORLD AND RECOGNIZE THE GUILDES OF THE EVIL ONE. GUIDE US INTO ALL TRUTH. GUARD OUR HEARTS AND KEEP OUR EYES FIXED ON YOU. FILL US WITH THE FRUIT OF YOUR SPIRIT TO MAKE US MORE LIKE YOU.

FATHER, TODAY WE SURRENDER OUR THOUGHTS, OUR SPEECH, AND OUR HEARTS. THANK YOU THAT YOU ARE FAITHFUL AND TRUE. THANK YOU THAT WHAT YOU BEGIN, YOU WILL CARRY ON TO COMPLETION UNTIL THE DAY WE STEP INTO ETERNITY WITH YOU. HELP US TO TRUST IN YOU WITH ALL OUR HEARTS AND LEAN NOT ON OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING. HELP US TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU IN ALL OUR WAYS SO THAT WE CAN OBEY WHEN WE HEAR, "THIS IS THE WAY, WALK IN IT."

FATHER, WE LOVE YOU AND THANK YOU THAT YOU LOVE US. MAY OUR LIVES BE A LIVING TESTIMONY OF YOU. WE ASK THIS IN THE POWERFUL AND MIGHTY NAME OF YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, WHO WILL DO EXCEEDINGLY, ABUNDANTLY ABOVE ALL THAT WE COULD EVER ASK OR IMAGINE.

AND ALL GOD'S GIRLS SAY, AMEN.

