

Heavenly Father,
For the prayer within, we pray in the name of your son our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Lord, many people will make New Year's resolutions, but it seems that only a small number will actually continue to make it a part of their lives. Things like eating less if they have a weight problem, reducing the amount spent on unnecessary items, exercising more, not procrastinating; any number of goals for improving their lives. These are all good achievements, but they have limits.

Lord, there is one resolution that could be started at any time and in keeping it can make a person's life more fulfilling and complete. As a matter of fact the rewards are countless and they last forever. That would be spending more time with you, Jesus, in prayer, Bible study, worshiping at church regularly, loving and helping one another, and letting others know about this wonderful Savior that we have in our lives. What other resolution can provide a lifesaving reward lasting for eternity.

Jesus, through your sacrifice on the cross and resurrection from death, you have done so much for all who believe in and to you confess all of their sins. You make us right and pure in the eyes of our Heavenly Father, who will forgive each and every one of our sins. No matter what troubles and difficulties this sinful world may thrust on us, you, Jesus, are always there guiding all who are faithful to you through this life and someday right into Heaven. We give you thanks, Jesus, for all of the love and caring you have for us. Let's keep this resolution for the rest of our lives; there isn't one better.

Lord In Your Mercy
Hear Our Prayer
Amen.