

# THE SALVATION SPECTRUM

A Newsletter presented by Jesus Christ Rock of Salvation - San Antonio, TX (JCRS-SATX) Church



3 John 2 AMP, "Beloved, I pray that in every way you may succeed *and* prosper and be in good health [physically], just as [I know] your soul prospers [spiritually]."

Father God, as we prepare to enter a New Year, we thank You for getting us through another year. We declare and decree that we will succeed and prosper and be in good health as our soul prospers in 2023, in Jesus' Holy Name we pray 🙏❤️✝️

## THE LORD'S WORD FOR 2023: "DRAW NEAR TO GOD AND HE WILL DRAW NEAR TO YOU"

James 4:8 NKJV, "**Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.** Cleanse *your* hands, *you* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *you* double-minded."

James is Jesus' brother who becomes a Believer in Him after His death and resurrection; and also became one of the early church leaders in Jerusalem (Gal 1:18-19).

The call to **Draw near to God** is both an invitation and a promise. God promises to **draw near to us** as we **draw near to Him**.

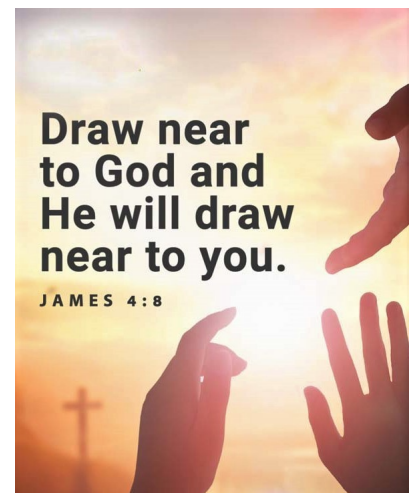
What does it mean to **draw near to God**? Charles Spurgeon considered a few ways:

- ◆ It means to **draw near** in worship, praise, and in prayer.
- ◆ It means to **draw near** by *asking counsel of God*.
- ◆ It means to **draw near** in *enjoying communion with God*.
- ◆ It means to **draw near** in the general course and tenor of your life.

In the Old Covenant, God told Moses not to come any closer to the burning bush and to take off his shoes. Under the New Covenant, God says to the sinner: "**Draw near to Me and I will draw near to you.**" Now the ground between God and the sinner has been sprinkled with the blood of Jesus, and we can come close to God on the basis of His shed blood.

What God really wants is to be **near** us; to have a close relationship and fellowship with us. When we cleanse our hands, purify our hearts and have a Christ-like mind, we can **Draw near to God and God will draw near to us** and in turn can help us to: resist the devil; become pure; be sorrowful about sin; speak well of other people; and think of eternal things.

Heavenly Father, as we come to a New Year in 2023, thank You for Your Word which is both an invitation and a promise to **Draw Near to You and You will draw near to us**. May we worship; praise; come to You in prayer; ask Your counsel; commune with You; commit our lives to You in every sense; have a close relationship with You; cleanse our hands; purify our hearts; have a Christ-like mind; humble ourselves; resist the devil so that he can flee from us; become pure; be sorrowful about sin; speak well of others; and think of eternal things, in Jesus' Holy Name we pray 🙏❤️✝️





Raymond Machado- 1/10  
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## CORPORATE FAST & PRAYER

Join us for our 21-day Corporate Fast & Prayer unto the Lord beginning Jan 1st - 21st. We will be seeking the Lord's wisdom, guidance & direction for the New Year 2023, corporately & individually. Daniel Chapter 10 and Esther Chapter 4 give powerful testimonies because of their fasting (denying the flesh) & prayer. Scripture references are: denying the flesh (Luke 9:23) & fasting (Matt 6:16-18). Let the Lord lead you & guide you regarding your own fasting & praying.



### Church Services:

Sundays @ 10:00AM  
15920 Henze Road  
San Antonio, Tx 78223

### Hour of Prayer:

Every Tuesday @ 7:00PM  
Send a private message to the  
[JCRS-SATX FB Page](#) or  
message Pastor Cindy 210-838-3668  
or any church member,  
or email the Church direct:  
[JCRS.SATX@gmail.com](mailto:JCRS.SATX@gmail.com)

### Bible Study:

Wednesdays @ 6:30PM  
Live on:  
[JCRS-SATX FB Page](#)

## DECLARING, DECREERING & CONFESSING FOR THE NEW YEAR 2023

When we **DECLARE, DECREE & CONFESS THE WORD OF GOD** — we are aligning ourselves with His Word and His will. 1 John 5:14 tells us that, "This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us." **PRaise OUR LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!!!**

What a great way to start a new year by **DECLARING, DECREERING AND CONFESSING** God's Word and Promises over our lives, our families, our church, and our communities for 2023. The corresponding scriptures are:

◆ **DECLARING:** Psalm 118:17 KJV, "I shall not die, but live, and **DECLARE** the works of the Lord." The AMP version says that we will "**recount the illustrious acts of the Lord.**" The NLT version says that, "... we will **TELL what the Lord has done.**" When we **DECLARE** something, we are making a **Bold Statement**, saying it in an emphatic manner, we're not hesitant about it. We tend to hesitate in saying something when we're not sure, but when we **DECLARE the Word of God, we know that God hears us and He will bring it to pass, in our obedience.** As we make our **DECLARATIONS**, we will be **Proclaiming, Announcing Publicly, Broadcasting and Revealing the truth of God's Word over each one of us for 2023!!!**

◆ **DECREEING:** Job 22:28 KJV, "Thou shalt also **DECREE** a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways." The AMP version says that: "we will decide & **DECREE** a thing and it will be established for us and the light of God's favor will shine upon our ways." A **DECREE** is an official order (an edict, a command, a mandate, a proclamation, a statute). **DECREES** are issued by legal authorities, heads of state (i.e, president or monarch). As children of the King of Kings & Lord of Lords, we have the authority to make **DECREES** that come from the Throne Room in Heaven. As Royal Priesthood (1 Peter 2:9), we can command the Word of God to be established unto us. We are who God says we are and our **DECREES** have life and miracle-working power!!! We are seated in Heavenly places with Christ (Eph 2:6)!!!

◆ **CONFESSING:** 1 Timothy 6:12 KJV, "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast **PROFESSED** a good profession before many witnesses. The AMP version says that "we should make a good **CONFESSION** [of faith] in the presence of many witnesses." A **CONFESSION** is a formal statement of one's principals: admission, acknowledgement, professing, revelation, or disclosure. In other words, we will be making **formal statements by admitting, by acknowledging, by professing, and by disclosing God's Word over ourselves.** The end result will be that others will be able to see our faith-walk in the Lord and we can invite them to join us!!!

Heavenly Father, as we align ourselves with Your Word and Your will by **DECLARING, DECREERING and CONFESSING** Your Word over our lives, our families, our church, and our communities, for this New Year of 2023, we thank You, glorify, honor and praise Your Holy Name as You bring to pass Your promises, in our obedience to Your Word and Your ways, in Jesus' Name we pray 🙏❤️✝️

