



# ASKing Points for the beginning of 2017

## Opening 2017 with Prayer and Fasting

You are invited to begin the New Year with concerted prayer. For the first **21 days, January 1-21**, we will pray through the Gospel of John taking one chapter a day. The prayer point following the scripture may be prayed for yourself, your nation, another nation, ASK Network or the Church worldwide.

The **last 10 days, January 22-31**, will be focused on the International Gathering of ASK leaders and intercessors in the Negev, Israel. The focus is on all that God may accomplish there. However, your covering prayers for the practical aspects of provision, health, safety, accommodation, travel and so on are greatly appreciated.

Please fast when and how the Lord leads. We pray that this month that is consecrated for prayer will be a blessing to you and effective for the Kingdom of God.

Guideline: We encourage you to read first the whole chapter assigned to that day. **Select verses follow also in blue print.** The words in black print are to help give focus for prayer and meditation.

*Sun*  
**JAN**  
**1**

### JOHN 1

1:1 In the beginning was the Word ... the Word was God.

▶ Word of God would be primary to every thought and action.

1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world knew Him not.

▶ Jesus would be made known around the world.

1:29, 42 Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! We have found the Messiah (that is, the Christ).

▶ Jesus would be worshiped as Lord and Saviour, the Anointed One.

*Mon*  
**JAN**  
**2**

### JOHN 2

2:5 Do whatever He tells you.

▶ May there be ears to hear and obey Jesus.

2:11 Jesus did ... the first of the signs through which He revealed his glory; and His disciples believed in Him.

▶ There would be signs given, leading to new belief and glory to God

2:22 They believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

▶ Multitudes would hear and believe the scriptures, especially the words of Jesus.

## ASKing Point

is a bi-monthly communication on behalf of ASK Network International. It is an invitation to join the network of prayer throughout the nations, ASKing and agreeing regarding key issues on God's heart. It is a tool for prayer, a place for testimony to God's faithfulness in answering, and a gift of worship to the Living God.

Tue  
JAN  
3

**JOHN 3**

3:8 The wind blows wherever it pleases ... So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.

- ▶ There would be visitation by the Holy Spirit, bringing revival.

3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son.

- ▶ God's love would be manifest, seen and received by the world.

3:21, 36 Whoever lives by the truth comes into the light ... and whoever believes in the Son has eternal life.

- ▶ Pray for many to come to know Jesus, and walk in His marvelous light.

Wed  
JAN  
4

**JOHN 4**

4:10 If you knew the gift of God ... you would have asked Him and He would have given you living water.

- ▶ Spiritual thirst would come, causing many to ASK and receive eternal life

4:23-24 True worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.

- ▶ ASK for a move of the Spirit that will bring pure worship that pleases God.

4:34 "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to finish His work.

- ▶ May the people of God follow the example of Jesus with diligence.

Thu  
JAN  
5

**JOHN 5**

5:8 Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk."

- ▶ ASK for miraculous responses from both the physically and spiritually lame.

5:27 Very truly I tell you, whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent Me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.

- ▶ Hearing of the Word, would lead to belief in Jesus, freedom from guilt and condemnation.

5:27 (The Father) has given Him authority to judge because He is the Son of Man.

- ▶ For the followers of Jesus to understand and move in the authority of Jesus.

Fri  
JAN  
6

**JOHN 6**

6:2 A great crowd of people followed Him because they saw the signs He had performed by healing the sick.

- ▶ The compassion of Jesus would be manifest in healing as a sign for "a great crowd."

6:27 Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.

- ▶ Diligent work. Godly priorities. Sharing the gospel.

6:44 No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day.

- ▶ ASK the Father to draw those from every tribe, tongue, people, nation.

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JAN  
7

**JOHN 7**

7: 16 Jesus answered, "My teaching is not my own. It comes from the One who sent Me. "

- ▶ Teaching would come from time spent listening to the Lord.

7:18 Whoever speaks on their own does so to gain personal glory, but he who seeks the glory of the One who sent Him is a man of truth; there is nothing false about him.

- ▶ ASK for a wholehearted, uncompromising commitment to the Glory of God.

7:38 Whoever believes in Me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.

- ▶ Pray for rivers of living water to flow through believers.

Sun  
JAN  
8

**JOHN 8**

8:12 "... Neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

- ▶ Conviction of sin without condemnation. Righteous lives.

8:14, 16 I know where I came from and where I am going ... I am not alone. I stand with the Father, who sent Me.

- ▶ Assurance of calling in Christ and identity.

8:28 Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He and that I do nothing on My own but speak just what the Father has taught Me. The one who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do what pleases Him."

- ▶ Humility in total dependence on the Father.

Mon  
JAN  
9

**JOHN 9**

9:3 "Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him."

- ▶ The power of God would be displayed in situations of suffering.

9:5 While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.

- ▶ The light of Christ would shine into the dark places.

9:38 Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped Him.

- ▶ For the recognition of the works of God, eliciting great praise.

Tue  
JAN  
10

**JOHN 10**

10:3 The sheep listen to His voice. He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out.

- ▶ Knowledge of His voice would be given and obedience to His leading.

10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

- ▶ May the life of Christ be fully expressed amongst His people.

10:42 Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

- ▶ Pray for a display of God's Glory.

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JAN  
11

**JOHN 11**

11:22 But I know that even now God will give You whatever You ask.

- ▶ Assurance to ASK specifically from God.

11:41-42 Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. I knew that You always hear Me."

- ▶ Thanksgiving with confidence to the Lord that He does hear us.

11:44 Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

- ▶ ASKING for deliverance from oppression, bondage and every area of captivity.

Thu  
JAN  
12

**JOHN 12**

12:21 We would like to see Jesus.

- ▶ ASK for daily revelation of Jesus in our lives.

12:26 Whoever serves Me must follow Me; and where I am, My servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves Me.

- ▶ May we follow Jesus as dutiful disciples.

12:32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself.

- ▶ For all people to be drawn to the Resurrected Jesus.

Fri  
JAN  
13

**JOHN 13**

13:8 Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with Me.”

- ▶ Righteousness for the Body of Christ.

13:14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet.

- ▶ For service with humility and love.

13:34-35 A new command I give you: Love one another ... by this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another.

- ▶ Evident display of love would be among today’s disciples of Jesus.

Sat  
JAN  
14

**JOHN 14**

14:12-14 Whoever believes in Me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.

- ▶ Power to do the works of Jesus.

14:13-14 I will do whatever you ask in My name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask Me for anything in My name, and I will do it.

- ▶ Much ASKing that much glory will be given to the Father.

14:27 Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

- ▶ Peace that removes all fear.

Sun  
JAN  
15

**JOHN 15**

15:5 If you remain in Me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing.

- ▶ Devotion to Jesus that would lead to yielded dependence.

15:15 I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from My Father I have made known to you.

- ▶ ASK for learning and knowledge from Jesus.

15:16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in My name the Father will give you.

- ▶ Fruit would have eternal impact and significance.

Mon  
JAN  
16

**JOHN 16**

16:13-14 But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on His own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come.

- ▶ Outpouring of the Holy Spirit that brings truth and revelation.

16:23 Very truly I tell you, My Father will give you whatever you ask in My name ... ASK and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.

- ▶ Increased capacity to ASK and receive with joy.

16:33 I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

- ▶ Courage to be at peace in the midst of trouble.

Tue  
JAN  
17

**JOHN 17**

17:15 My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.

- ▶ Protection of believers in any endangered situation.

17:17, 19 Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth. As you sent Me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify Myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

- ▶ Sanctification that we may be in the world but not of the world.

17:20-21 I pray also for those who will believe in Me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as You are in Me and I am in You.

- ▶ Powerful evangelism that will bring unity in the Body of Christ.

Wed  
JAN  
18

**JOHN 18**

18:7-8 The words He had spoken would be fulfilled: "I have not lost one of those You gave Me."

- ▶ Praise God for His keeping power.

18:36 Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world ... My kingdom is from another place."

- ▶ Praise God for His eternal, unshakeable kingdom.

18:37 Jesus answered, "... the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to Me."

- ▶ ASK for the fulfillment of all of the purposes of Jesus' incarnation.

Thu  
JAN  
19

**JOHN 19**

19:19 Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.

- ▶ That Jesus would be acclaimed by Jews everywhere as King.

19:30 Jesus said, "It is finished."

- ▶ Thank Jesus for the completed work of atonement.

19:36 These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled.

- ▶ Praise God for the fulfillment all of scripture in the fullness of time.

Fri  
JAN  
20

**JOHN 20**

20:16 Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward Him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

- ▶ For a response to Jesus when we hear Him call us by name.

20:19 Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

- ▶ The presence of Jesus would be with His people.

20:21-23 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you."

- ▶ ASK the Lord of the Harvest to send out His servants.

Sat  
JAN  
21

**JOHN 21**

21:1 Jesus appeared again to his disciples.

- ▶ Ongoing encounters with Jesus for us, His disciples.

21:6 He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.

- ▶ Direction from Jesus that leads to miraculous events.

21:16 Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love Me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of My sheep.

- ▶ The health and strength of the Body of Christ.

**Prayer for International Gathering in the Negev**

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JAN  
22

**PSALM 2**

2:8 ASK Me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.

**Embracing ASK's vision to pray for all nations**

- ▶ Fulfill the goal to pray for every nation at the gathering.
- ▶ Receiving of burdens for particular nations for ongoing prayer.
- ▶ Adopting of Unreached People Groups as a mandate for ASK.

Mon  
JAN  
23

**ISAIAH 35**

35:1-2 The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom. Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom; it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.

**Worship & Praise**

- ▶ The worship team, gathering from different nations, will find easy harmony.
- ▶ The Holy Spirit will anoint the worship releasing the gifts of the Spirit.
- ▶ We will offer a sacrifice of praise pleasing to the Lord.

Tue  
JAN  
24

**PSALM 126**

126:2-6 Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them." The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Restore our fortunes, LORD, like streams in the Negev. Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

**Salvation in Israel**

- ▶ Intercession offered will be like seed sown in Israel.
- ▶ All nations affected and changed.
- ▶ There will be a gospel harvest of souls saved.

Wed  
JAN  
25

**ISAIAH 40**

40:3-5 A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

**Preparing the Way of the Lord, Revival**

- ▶ May a way be prepared for the Lord in the nations.
- ▶ Preparation for the Prayer Drive to take place on the next day.
- ▶ May the glory of the Lord be revealed in the nations.

Thu  
JAN  
26

**PSALM 143**

143:5-6, 10 I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all Your works and consider what Your hands have done. I spread out my hands to You; I thirst for You like a parched land. Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God; may Your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

**Times of Meditation & Teaching**

- ▶ The times of meditating in the Word will bring insight and revelation.
- ▶ Prayer times will be fervent and anointed by the Holy Spirit.
- ▶ Teaching will be as if it comes directly from the Lord.

Fri  
JAN  
27

**ROMANS 12**

12:2, 5-6, 10 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will ... in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. Honor one another above yourselves.

**Gifts and Calling within ASK**

- ▶ Transformation of our minds to the Mind of Christ.
- ▶ Serve in humility, deferring to each other.
- ▶ May each attending be affirmed in their call and gifts.

Sat  
JAN  
28

### ISAIAH 43

43:10, 18-19 "You are My witnesses," declares the Lord, "and My servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe Me and understand that I am He. Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

#### Preparation and Vision for the Future, especially for leaders in nations.

- ▶ Hear from the Lord what is on His heart.
- ▶ Look forward with renewed vision.
- ▶ Strengthening for the work of ASKing.

Sun  
JAN  
29

### JAMES 5

5:8, 10, 16 You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near ... As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered ... The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

#### Patience, Perseverance & Prayer

- ▶ May we all grow the fruit of the Spirit of patience.
- ▶ That we would be strengthened in perseverance, not growing weary.
- ▶ The Spirit of grace and supplication to be upon us.

Mon  
JAN  
30

### JAMES 3

3:13,17-18 Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

#### Wisdom & Humility

- ▶ May ASK Network be granted the grace for deeds done in humility.
- ▶ May we ask for the wisdom that comes from the Lord.
- ▶ May a harvest of righteousness come forth in the nations.

Tue  
JAN  
31

### REVELATION 15

15:2-4 They held harps given them by God and sang the song of God's servant Moses and of the Lamb: "Great and marvelous are Your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are Your ways, King of the nations. Who will not fear You, Lord, and bring glory to Your name? For You alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before You, for Your righteous acts have been revealed."

#### Thanksgiving and Honour to the Lord for all He has done

- ▶ Bless the Lord that He has heard our prayers and gathered them in the bowls of heaven.
- ▶ Acknowledge His deeds as great and marvelous.
- ▶ Rest in the assurance that all nations will come to worship Him.

*Amen!*