A Prayer of Dedication for Our Home

Inspired by Solomon's Dedication of the Temple (1 Kings 8; 2 Chronicles 6–7), and the promises of Yahweh throughout Scripture.

"As for me and my house, we will serve Yahweh." — Joshua 24:15

O Yahweh, our Elohim, the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the Most High, Who dwells in Heaven, yet looks with tenderness upon the humble and contrite heart—

We come before Your Presence today with thanksgiving, reverence, and praise.

For You alone are Elohim. There is none beside You. You are the Creator of Heaven and Earth, the Keeper of Covenants, the Hearer of Prayer, and the Faithful One Who never forsakes those who put their trust in You.

As Solomon prayed when he dedicated the Temple unto Your holy Name, so we also pray:

"But will Elohim indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain Thee; how much less this house!" (1 Kings 8:27)

Yet You have promised to dwell with those who love You, who tremble at Your Word, and who seek Your face.

And so, Father, we humbly invite Your Presence into this home.

I. We Dedicate This House to Yahweh

This house is not ours alone, Father. All that we are, all that we possess, and all that we hope to become belongs to You.

Today, we set apart this home, its rooms, its doorposts, its windows, its foundations, and all the land upon which it stands, for Your honor and glory.

May this be a dwelling place of righteousness, a sanctuary of prayer, a refuge of peace, and a place where Your Word is loved, studied, obeyed, and proclaimed.

As You commanded in the Shema:

"And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates." (Deuteronomy 6:9)

We dedicate these doorposts unto You.

May every entrance remind us that we belong to Yahweh. May everyone who crosses these thresholds encounter the love, truth, and kindness of Your Kingdom.

Let nothing be welcomed here that dishonors Your Name.

And let everything that takes place within these walls be brought into obedience to Yahshua our Messiah.

II. Let Your Eyes Be Open Toward This House

Father, Solomon prayed:

"That Thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day." (1 Kings 8:29)

We ask the same blessing.

Let Your eyes be open toward this home, day and night.

When we rise in the morning, may we rise with thanksgiving.

When we lie down at night, may we rest beneath the shadow of Your wings.

When we gather to pray, hear us from Heaven.

When we study Your Torah, open our understanding.

When we are weary, renew our strength.

When we face uncertainty, remind us of Your faithfulness.

When we encounter trials, teach us to stand upon Your promises rather than upon what our eyes can see.

For You, Yahweh, are our Reality, greater than every circumstance.

"Except Yahweh build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except Yahweh keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." (Psalm 127:1)

Build this house, Father.

Keep this house.

And establish here the work of our hands for Your glory.

III. We Ask Your Cleansing and Sanctification

O Yahweh, our Redeemer, we ask that this home and this land be wholly set apart unto You.

Whatever has taken place here in generations past, whatever sorrow, sin, violence, darkness, or defilement may have marked its history, we bring this place before Your Throne of mercy.

We do not know all that has gone before us, but we know Who holds the future.

We ask that every influence contrary to Your righteousness be removed from our lives and from this dwelling.

Where there has been fear, establish Your peace.

Where there has been sorrow, bring comfort.

Where there has been strife, establish harmony.

Where there has been darkness, let Your truth shine.

Where there has been a curse, we ask for the blessings of obedience and the restoration that comes from Your loving hand.

As You promised:

"I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten." (Joel 2:25)

And as You declared:

"Behold, I make all things new." (Revelation 21:5)

Father, make all things new here.

We ask You to bless this land far beyond whatever evil or sorrow it may have known. Let the testimony of Your goodness be greater than the memory of its troubles.

May this place become a testimony of redemption, restoration, and the triumph of Your light.

IV. We Ask for Your Protection

Yahweh, our Refuge and our Fortress, under the authority of Yahshua our Messiah, we place this home and all who dwell within it into Your mighty hands.

We claim the precious promises of Psalm 91:

"He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler." (Psalm 91:4)

Let Your truth be our shield.

Let Your righteousness be our defense.

Let Your holy angels encamp around this dwelling, as You have promised concerning those who fear You (Psalm 34:7).

Guard our doors and windows, our sleeping and waking, our coming in and going out.

Protect us from evil, from danger, from deception, and from every scheme of the adversary.

May no fear rule within these walls, for You have not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7).

And when trials arise, teach us to stand, not in our own strength, but in the whole Armor of Elohim (Ephesians 6:10–18).

"Yahweh shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore." (Psalm 121:8)

V. Let This Be a House of Prayer and the Word

Father, we ask that this home become a place where Heaven is sought daily.

Let our prayers rise before You as incense, and the lifting up of our hands as the evening sacrifice (Psalm 141:2).

Let the Scriptures be opened here with reverence.

Let Your Torah be our delight.

Let Your Commandments be treasured, not merely spoken.

Let our conversations be seasoned with Grace and Truth.

May we never become so occupied with the work of our hands that we neglect the still, small Voice of Your Spirit.

Teach us to hear You.

Teach us to trust You.

Teach us to obey You.

And above all, teach us to love You with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our might.

May the ***Shema*** be more than words upon our doorposts.

May it be written upon our hearts.

VI. Bless the Work of Our Hands and the Ministry of This Home

Father, You have brought us to this place through circumstances we never could have imagined.

You have led us through uncertainty, provided for our needs, opened doors we could not open, and sustained us when we had no strength of our own.

We acknowledge that every good gift comes from Your hand.

Now we ask that You establish the work You have called us to do.

May the words taught from this home be faithful to Scripture.

May every class, every message, every written page, every testimony, and every act of ministry bring honor to Your Name.

Keep us from pride, presumption, self-reliance, and error.

Give us wisdom, discernment, humility, courage, and love.

Let the ministry that goes forth from this dwelling strengthen the weary, awaken the sleeping, encourage the fearful, and point precious souls to ***Yahshua***.

May this home be a little light upon a hill, shining into the darkness—not to draw attention to ourselves, but to glorify our Father in Heaven.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

May Your Water of Life flow from this home, through us who dwell here, and, like the wells of Abraham, bring blessing, Life and Truth to those who come here, to those who are touched by the Water.

VII. Let Love, Joy, and Peace Dwell Here

O Father, may this home be filled with the fruit of Your Spirit.

Let love be the atmosphere of every room.

Let joy return with the morning.

Let peace rest upon every pillow.

Let patience govern our words.

Let gentleness mark our dealings with one another.

Let forgiveness be freely given.

Let thanksgiving continually rise from our lips.

May this be a place where the wounded find comfort, where the weary find rest, where the hungry are fed, where strangers are welcomed with kindness, and where Your children are strengthened in faith.

As Yahshua promised:

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you." (John 14:27)

We ask for that peace, Father.

Not the fragile peace that depends upon favorable circumstances, but the deep and abiding peace that comes from knowing You are with us.

VIII. We Consecrate Ourselves to You

And now, Father, we recognize that the most important dwelling place we can offer You is not made of wood or stone.

It is the surrendered heart.

As Solomon dedicated the Temple, so we dedicate ourselves afresh.

Search us, O Elohim, and know our hearts.

Try us and know our thoughts.

See if there be any wicked way in us, and lead us in the way everlasting (Psalm 139:23–24).

Cleanse us from secret faults.

Correct us when we wander.

Humble us when we become self-sufficient.

Strengthen us when we are weak.

And teach us to walk ever more closely with You.

For we do not merely desire Your blessings upon this home.

We desire YOU.

Your Presence is our greatest treasure.

Your approval is our greatest ambition.

Your Word is our foundation.

Your Promises are our hope.

And Your Kingdom is our eternal Home.

IX. Our Final Prayer of Dedication

O Yahweh, our Elohim, as Solomon prayed at the conclusion of the Temple dedication:

"Yahweh our Elohim be with us, as He was with our fathers: let Him not leave us, nor forsake us: That He may incline our hearts unto Him, to walk in all His Ways, and to keep His Commandments." (1 Kings 8:57–58)

This is our prayer today.

Let Your Presence abide with us.

Let Your Word govern us.

Let Your love transform us.

Let Your angels guard us.

Let Your Spirit teach us.

Let Your blessings rest upon this home, this land, and all who dwell here, according to Your perfect will.

And when the storms of life come, may this house stand—not because its walls are strong, but because its foundation is upon the Rock, Yahshua our Messiah.

We dedicate this home to You, Father.

We dedicate its doorposts to You.

We dedicate its land to You.

We dedicate its work to You.

We dedicate its future to You.

And we dedicate ourselves to You.

"Now therefore arise, O Yahweh Elohim, into Thy resting place, Thou, and the ark of Thy strength: let Thy priests, O Yahweh Elohim, be clothed with salvation, and let Thy saints rejoice in goodness." (2 Chronicles 6:41)

May this home be a place where Your Name is honored, Your Truth is proclaimed, and Your Goodness is remembered from generation to generation.

We ask all these things in the holy and precious Name of Yahshua our Messiah, our Redeemer, our High Priest, and our coming King.

HalleluYah! Amen and Amen.