

A Prayer / Reflection as we enter the New Year

Joyce Rupp

Divine Gate-Keeper, ever present to my soul,
I approach the open gate of the new year
Aware of my vulnerability and mortality.
Recognising my dependence on your vigilance.
Your wisdom will direct my inner footsteps
As I face the future's unmarked terrain.
Your rapt attentiveness assures me
That you will guide my comings and goings.
This day I join my heart with all living beings
As we walk together toward what lies ahead.



Always
we
Begin
Again

From [the poem 'Begin' by Brendan Kennelly](#)

‘Though we live in a world that dreams of ending
that always seems about to give in
something that will not acknowledge conclusion
insists that we forever begin....’