

31 Things to Pray for Your Children

1. For their moral purity. (Prov. 5:7-23; 1 Thess. 4:3-8)
2. To obey and respect authority. (Ex. 20:12)
3. For God to draw them to Himself at an early age. (John 3:3)
4. Protection from the schemes of Satan. (Eph. 6:10)
5. To know and love God's Word. (Ps. 119:9-11)
6. That they would glorify God in whatever health or life circumstances He gives them, rejoicing always. (1 Thess. 5:18)
7. For them to be wise. (wisdom of the Lord – Prov. 1:7)
8. To have and be a special friend (David and Jonathan – 1 Sam. 20)
9. They would endure hardship in fellowship with Christ. (Col. 1:24)
10. That their "yes" would be a "yes" and their "no" would be a "no". (Matt. 5:37)
11. They would be equally yoked to a godly spouse (2 Cor. 6:14)
12. To be humble, desiring for God to have the glory. (2 Tim. 4:18)
13. That their life would be used to promote God's kingdom. (Matt. 28:18-20)
14. To understand grace and so live out the law of Christ. (Titus 2:11)
15. That my girl(s) would have a quiet and gentle spirit and my boy(s) would be the spiritual leader of his family.
16. A hunger and thirst for God's righteousness. (Matthew 5:6)
17. Identify with their femaleness/maleness as God created them.
18. To hate evil and avoid it... To get caught when they disobey. (Proverbs 4:14)
19. To be a hard worker. (Col. 1:28-29)
20. Think biblically and have a Christian worldview. (2 Cor. 10:5)
21. Be an encourager to others. (Heb. 10:24)
22. Have a love and passion for the Church. (Eph. 4:14-16)
23. Be salt and light. (Matt. 5:13-16)
24. Be secure in whom God has made them to be. (Eph. 1)
25. Know that they are deeply loved. (Psalm 103)
26. Live selflessly, not selfishly. (2 Tim. 4:5)
27. Love the Lord their God with all their heart, mind, soul, and strength. (Matthew 22:37-39)
28. Love others. (Matthew 22:37-39)
29. That they would have honesty with the Lord, themselves and others. (1 John 1:1-9)
30. Be faithful stewards of all the treasures and talents God entrusts to them (1 Tim. 6:6-10)
31. That they would live by an eternal perspective. (Phil. 2:20)

You can pray one item each day of the month or pray all 31 each day. The important thing is to pray for your children and grandchildren.

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Sample Prayers for Your Children

PRAY: FOR THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

- That (child's name) may know "how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge." (Ephesians 3:17-19)
- That () will know Christ at an early age. (2 Timothy 3:15)
- That () will allow God to work in his/her life to accomplish His purpose for him/her. (Phil. 2:13)
- That () will earnestly seek God and love to go to church. (Psalms 63:1 & 122:1)
- That () sins will find him/her out and that he/she will be caught and corrected when guilty. (Psalm 119:71)
- That () will submit to God and resist the devil in all circumstances. (James 4:7)

PRAY: FOR GODLY ATTRIBUTES AND CHARACTER

- That (child's name) will be protected from attitudes of inferiority or superiority. (Genesis 1:27 & Phil. 2:3)
- That () will respect authority. (Romans 13:1)
- That () will hate sin. (Psalm 97:10)
- That () will be able to control his/her anger. (Eph. 4:26)
- That () will display the fruit of the spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Gal. 5:22 & 23)

PRAY: FOR FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

- That (child's name) will obey his/her parents in the Lord. (Proverbs 1:8 & Col. 3:20)
- That () will accept discipline and profit from it. (Proverbs 3:11 & 12; 23:13)
- That () will love his/her siblings and not allow rivalry to hinder their lifelong positive relationship. (Matthew 5:22)
- That we may live so before () as to entice him/her to the banqueting table, not drive him/her away. (Matthew 5:16)

PRAY: FOR RELATIONSHIPS WITH FRIENDS

- That (child's name) will choose godly friends who will build him/her up in the Lord. (Prov. 27:9 & Ecc. 4:10)
- That () will desire the right kinds of friends and he/she will be kept from harmful friendships that will lead him/her astray. (Prov. 1:10)
- That () will be firm in his/her convictions and be able to withstand peer pressure. (Eph. 4:14)
- That () will befriend the lonely, the discouraged, and the lost. (Matt. 25:40 & Phil. 2:4)

PRAY: FOR PROTECTION

- That (child's name) will be protected from the evil one in each area of his/her life – spiritual, emotional, and physical. (John 17:15)
- That () will be protected from drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. (Prov. 20:1 & 23; 31-32)

How can we pray for our children?

Pray today:

That there life would
be used to promote
God's kingdom.

(Matthew 28:18-20)

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven
and in earth.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

(From "31 Things to Pray for Your Child")