



## *Prayers to Pray for Your Children*

Prayer brings the power of God into every situation.

A wise parent starts early to pray for their child, but you can pray these prayers at any age for your children, adult children, and grandchildren.

Conversational prayer model: Praise, Thanksgiving, Confession, Intercession.

Take a moment to be still before the Lord and quiet your heart. Start with praising God for *who* he is and use his attributes in scripture. Praise deepens our awareness of God's holiness and our reverence for him. Move to thank God for previous answers to prayer. Next, confess any sin the Lord brings to your mind. Now begin interceding for your child.

### **Prayers:**

**1. Salvation:** John 6:44, John 3:16

Father, I pray that your Spirit would draw \_\_\_\_\_ to know you. Help them to understand how much you love them. Give them the understanding that you gave your son Jesus for the world. May your Spirit help them see that when they believe in Jesus, they will not die but live forever with you in heaven someday. ~In Jesus' Name.

**2. Sin and Repentance:** Psalm 32:3-5, Acts 17:30

Father, I pray that your Spirit would convict \_\_\_\_\_ of sin and cause them to repent. I know your word says if they refuse to confess their sin, they will be miserable until they stop trying to hide their guilt. I pray their heart responds and turns to you quickly in sincere confession. ~In Jesus' Name.

**3. Respect Authority:** Romans 13:1-3

Father, please give \_\_\_\_\_ the right view of those in authority. Help them understand that rebellion against authority is rebelling against what you have established. Help \_\_\_\_\_ to honor you by doing what is right. ~In Jesus' Name.

**4. Persevere through difficulties:** James 1:12, Gal. 6:9, Heb.12:1b

Father, when testing comes, help \_\_\_\_\_ to persevere. Help them not to grow weary in doing good or give up so that they will reap a harvest. Strengthen them to throw off anything that hinders, any sin that entangles—so they can run their race with perseverance. ~In Jesus' Name.

**5. Grateful Spirit:** Eph. 5:20, 1 Thes. 5:16-18

Father, I know that it is not always in \_\_\_\_\_ nature to be grateful. Please help me to model thanking you in all things. Help \_\_\_\_\_ to learn that difficult circumstances cause us to trust you and give us a reason to rejoice and thank you for answers to prayer. May the seeds of thankfulness grow in them a lifelong awareness of your love and care for them. ~In Jesus' Name.

**6. Honesty:** Proverbs 12:22, Luke 12:2

Father, I pray that you would give \_\_\_\_\_ an understanding that it is futile to try to hide anything from you. I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would not have lying lips which you detest; cause them to be truthful, which delights you. ~In Jesus' Name.

**7. Giver:** Luke 6:38, John 3:16

Father, I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would have a heart to give to others; and not to expect something back; but for the joy it will bring them. The greatest example that you gave the world is Jesus. May you create in \_\_\_\_\_ a heart to want to give in big ways that will bring you glory. ~In Jesus' Name.