

Praying Daily for Your Children

<p><i>salvation</i> 1</p> <p>Lord, let salvation spring up within my children that they may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. (Isaiah 45:8; 2 Timothy 2:10)</p>	<p><i>growth in grace</i> 2</p> <p>I pray that they may "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." (2 Peter 3:18)</p>	<p><i>love</i> 3</p> <p>Grant, Lord, that my children may learn to live a life of love through the Spirit who dwells in them. (Ephesians 5:2; Galatians 5:22)</p>	<p><i>honesty and integrity</i> 4</p> <p>May integrity and honesty be their virtue and their protection. (Psalm 25:21)</p>	<p><i>self-control</i> 5</p> <p>Father, help my children not to be like many others around them, but let them be "alert and self-controlled" in all they do. (1 Thessalonians 5:6)</p>	<p><i>a love for God's Word</i> 6</p> <p>May my children grow to find Your Word "more precious than gold, than much pure gold; and sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb." (Psalm 19:10)</p>	<p><i>justice</i> 7</p> <p>God, help my children to love justice as You do and to "act justly" in all they do. (Psalm 11:7, Micah 6:8)</p>
<p><i>mercy</i> 8</p> <p>May my children always "be merciful, as [their] Father is merciful." (Luke 6:36)</p>	<p><i>respect (for self, others, authority)</i> 9</p> <p>Father, grant that my children may "show proper respect to everyone," as Your Word commands. (1 Peter 2:17)</p>	<p><i>strong, Biblical self-esteem</i> 10</p> <p>Help my children develop a strong self-esteem that is rooted in the realization that they are "God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus." (Ephesians 2:10)</p>	<p><i>faithfulness</i> 11</p> <p>"Let love and faithfulness never leave [my children]," but bind these twin virtues around their necks and write them on the tablet of their hearts. (Proverbs 3:3)</p>	<p><i>a passion for God</i> 12</p> <p>Lord, please instill in my children a soul with a craving for You, a heart that clings passionately to You. (Psalm 63:8)</p>	<p><i>responsibility</i> 13</p> <p>Grant that my children may learn responsibility, "for each one should carry his own load." (Galatians 6:5)</p>	<p><i>kindness</i> 14</p> <p>Lord, may my children "always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else." (1 Thessalonians 5:15)</p>
<p><i>generosity</i> 15</p> <p>Grant that my children may "be generous and willing to share [and so] lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age." (1 Timothy 5:18-19)</p>	<p><i>peace/peaceability</i> 16</p> <p>Father, let my children "make every effort to do what leads to peace." (Romans 14:19)</p>	<p><i>hope</i> 17</p> <p>May the God of hope grant that my children may overflow with hope and hopefulness by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13)</p>	<p><i>perseverance</i> 18</p> <p>Lord, teach my children perseverance in all they do, and help them especially to "run with perseverance the race marked out for [them]." (Hebrews 12:1)</p>	<p><i>humility</i> 19</p> <p>Lord, please cultivate in my children the ability to "show true humility toward all." (Titus 3:2)</p>	<p><i>compassion</i> 20</p> <p>Lord, please clothe my children with the virtue of compassion. (Colossians 3:12)</p>	<p><i>prayerfulness</i> 21</p> <p>Grant, Lord, that my children's lives may be marked by prayerfulness, that they may learn to "pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests." (Ephesians 6:18)</p>
<p><i>contentment</i> 22</p> <p>Father, teach my children "the secret of being content in any and every situation. . . through him who gives [them] strength." (Philippians 4:12-13)</p>	<p><i>faith</i> 23</p> <p>I pray that faith will find root and grow in my children's hearts, that by faith they may gain what has been promised to them. (Luke 17:5-6, Hebrews 11:1-40)</p>	<p><i>a servant heart</i> 24</p> <p>Lord, please help my children develop servant hearts, that they may serve wholeheartedly "as if [they] were serving the Lord, not men." (Ephesians 6:7)</p>	<p><i>purity</i> 25</p> <p>"Create in [them] a pure heart, O God," and let their purity of heart be shown in their actions. (Psalm 51:10)</p>	<p><i>a willingness and ability to work hard</i> 26</p> <p>Teach my children, Lord, to value work and to work hard at everything they do, "as working for the Lord, not for men." (Colossians 3:23)</p>	<p><i>self-discipline</i> 27</p> <p>Father, I pray that my children may develop self-discipline, that they may acquire "a disciplined and prudent life, doing what is right and just and fair." (Proverbs 1:3)</p>	<p><i>a heart for missions</i> 28</p> <p>Lord, please help my children to develop a heart for missions, a desire to see your glory declared among the nations, your marvelous deeds among all peoples. (Psalm 96:3)</p>
<p><i>joy</i> 29</p> <p>May my children be filled "with the joy given by the Holy Spirit." (1 Thessalonians 1:6)</p>	<p><i>courage</i> 30</p> <p>May my children always "be strong and courageous" in their character and in their actions. (Deuteronomy 31:6)</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Printed with permission. "A Parent's Prayer Program" by Bob Hostetler from <i>Focus on the Family</i></p>	<p><i>Mom and Loving It! Ministries</i> 1-888-952-MOMS momandlovingit.org</p>			

