

# 30 DAYS

## PRAYERS FOR PARENTS TO PRAY OVER THEIR CHILDREN

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*"The lord is near to all who call on  
Him, to all who call on Him in truth."*

*Psalms 145:18 (NIV)*



Our Heavenly Father longs for us to come to Him in prayer.

We at Family Community Church would love for you to commit to praying these prayers over your children for the next thirty days. If you don't have children, pray for the children of friends and family, grandchildren, or for your future children.

There is power in calling upon the name of the Most Powerful.  
We hope you experience His presence during this time.



## TITUS 2:7-8

*<sup>7</sup>In everything set them an example by doing what is good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness <sup>8</sup> and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us. (NIV)*


**God, give our kids a tenacity to go after Your will. Help them desire to spend time with You, both in prayer and in Your Word. When their friends are distracted by the world or caught up in time wastes, raise up our kids to be an example of devotion to You.**

**Give us the strength to lead our children in this area so they can lead others in turn. Help us to set an example of time well-spent and lives well-lived.**

**Amen**







In everything set them an example by  
doing what is good

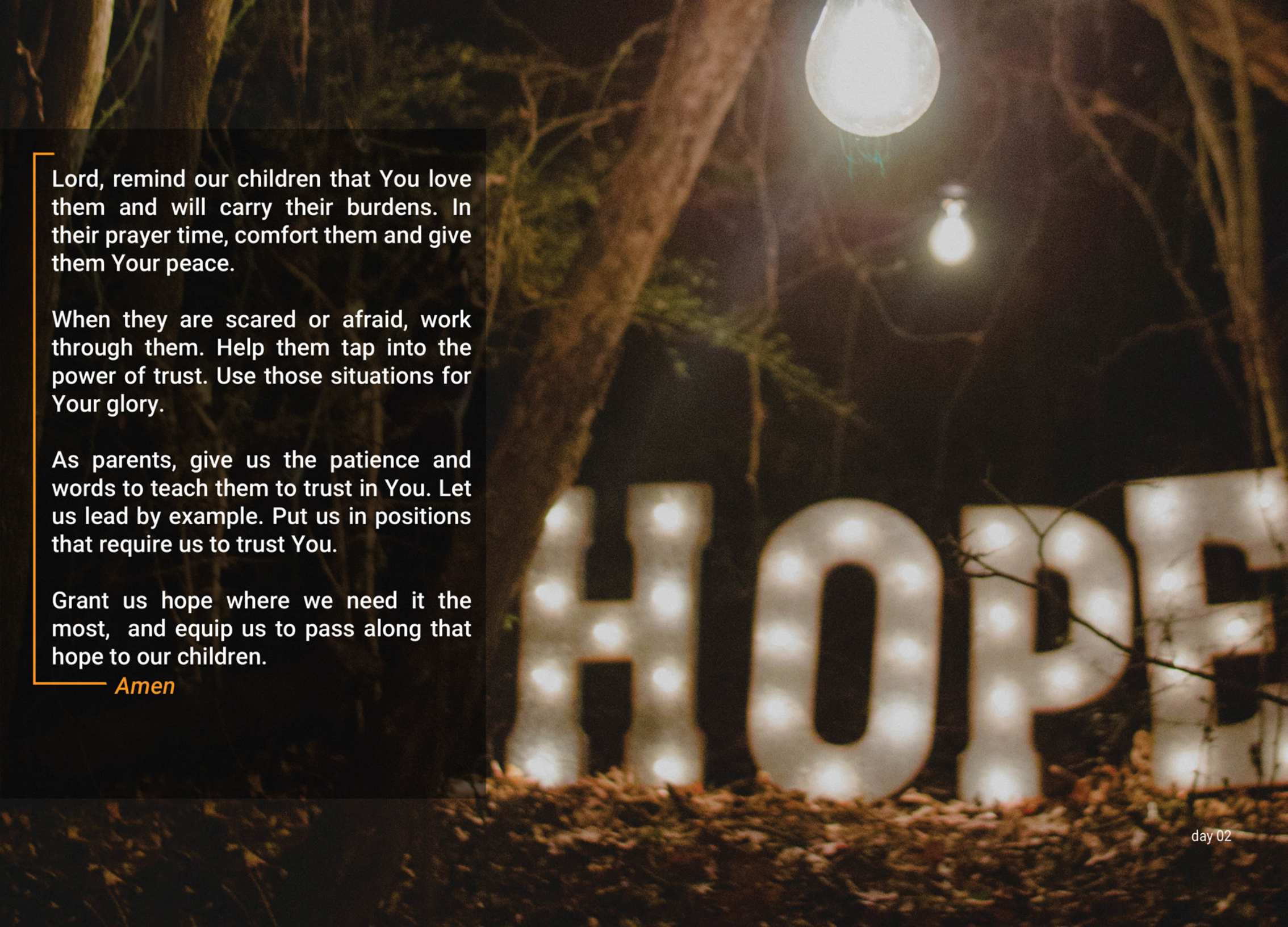


When I am afraid, I put my trust  
in You

*Psalms 56:3 (NIV)*







Lord, remind our children that You love them and will carry their burdens. In their prayer time, comfort them and give them Your peace.


When they are scared or afraid, work through them. Help them tap into the power of trust. Use those situations for Your glory.

As parents, give us the patience and words to teach them to trust in You. Let us lead by example. Put us in positions that require us to trust You.

Grant us hope where we need it the most, and equip us to pass along that hope to our children.

*Amen*





Let our children be known for their  
generous spirits



# COLOSSIANS 3:2

<sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. (NIV)

God, it is so easy to have “tunnel vision” on ourselves in this fast-moving world. We ask that our kids can be known for their generosity. Help them to hold tightly to You and not to things of the world. Give them a willingness to help others from the overflow of what You have given them.

In the areas where they are more selfish and resistant to share, help them to genuinely recognize how little they deserve any of it. Show them how poorly it reflects on You when we greedily claim things as our own instead of giving all ownership to You.

Help our children to understand the gift they’ve been given. Let them understand Your generosity to the point that they look at giving as an opportunity and not a heavy obligation.

Please give them the joy that comes with giving their lives away.

*Amen*







## ROMANS 6:16

*<sup>16</sup>Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey - whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? (NIV)*

**Lord, help our children to be obedient in everything. At the times they are tempted to disobey, remind them that there is a better way. There is Your way. And that leads to righteousness and purity.**

**In the midst of the disobedience of others, give our children the strength to stand firm. Give them courage to speak up and make right decisions.**

**Father, we know how easy it for us to let our thoughts turn from You. Give us reminders to set our hearts and minds on You instead of on our own sinful desires. Help us to realize the peace that comes with submission to Your will.**

**Help us to delight in Your Law and Your Will without wavering. Show us the benefits of obeying You so that we may lead our children in a way that models obedience.**

***Amen***

Give them the strength to stand firm





# DEUTERONOMY 31:6

*<sup>6</sup>Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord Your God goes with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. (NIV)*

Lord, in the times our children feel alone, help them to sense Your presence. Remind them that You are watching over them and that they can call out to You from any desert in which they are lost.

In the scary moments, speak courage and hope to them. When they feel that they have been forgotten, encourage them to walk in the light of Your promise that You have never left them or forsaken them.

*Amen*





He will never leave you nor forsake you





# Give our children a heart for Your Word





A heart shape formed by warm white string lights on a beach at sunset. The lights are strung together to form a heart, resting on the sand. The background shows a blurred sunset over the ocean with a large, bright sun low on the horizon.

## PSALMS 119:105

<sup>105</sup>Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path. (NIV)

Father, give our children Your heart for the world, for Your people, and for Your Word. Let Your Word truly become a lamp unto their feet and a light for their path. Reveal to them exactly what You need them to understand when they read scripture.

When they find themselves in difficult times, remind our children of the importance of faithful choices, even small ones. Help our kids to see the world as an opportunity to share Your love, and make their love for You the truest joy they know. How majestic is Your Name, oh Lord!

*Amen*





## DEUTERONOMY 16:20

*<sup>20</sup>Follow justice and justice alone, so that you may live and possess the land the Lord Your God is giving you. (NIV)*

Lord, when life seems unfair to our children and they experience what they see as injustice, overwhelm them with the truth of Your love and help them to follow Your path of justice.

Instead of focusing on their perceived lack, let them find joy in the gain that is You. Help us to be a model to them of what Godly reliance looks like.

In their times of brokenheartedness, let them sense Your compassion and Your closeness, refusing to give in to a spirit of bitterness.

Give us Your heart for the world.  
Thank You for this gift of life.

*Amen*



A young boy with dark hair is lying on his back on a light-colored wooden floor. His eyes are closed, and he has a peaceful expression. His hands are pressed against a large, bright red heart-shaped object that is open like a book, with his fingers spread across its pages. He is wearing a light green t-shirt with a pattern of small black handprints and the number '5'.

Overwhelm them with the truth of Your love





## 2 TIMOTHY 1:7

*<sup>7</sup>For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline. (NLT)*

Father God, we thank You for this day and for the many blessings You have given us. Thank You for our children, who are reminders to us as parents how much You love us.

When our children are scared, give them Your strength, both physically and mentally, that they may be able to overcome any obstacle in front of them. Give them Your Spirit of power, love, and self-discipline. Help them to learn how to rely upon You for everything when they are in need.

Comfort them to let them feel that they are never alone and that You are always with them and by their side. Ease their minds, calm their spirits, and fill them up with Your Love so much that all they can feel is Your Love.

May they rest peacefully knowing that You are always in control!

*Amen*





When I am afraid, I put my trust in You



A man and a child are walking away from the camera on a dirt path. The man is in the foreground, wearing a dark jacket and jeans. The child is slightly behind him, wearing a light-colored jacket and shorts. They are walking towards a body of water, possibly a lake or river, under a warm, orange-hued sky. The path is flanked by trees and bushes on the left and a rocky bank on the right. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

You rescue the humble



## 2 SAMUEL 22:28

*<sup>28</sup>You rescue the humble, but your eyes watch the proud and humiliate them. (NLT)*

Lord, let our children find joy in having a humble heart, choosing Your ways instead of their own.

Help them to see the areas where they might be ignoring You or unaware of how You're moving in their lives.

Please give them a foundation built on You instead of one built on pride, money, vain compliments, ego, or any other thing that is valued by the world and not by You.

Help us all to have the faith to pray for victory in humility and the hope that comes from belief in Your power.

*Amen*





## PHILEMON 2:6

*<sup>6</sup>And I am praying that you will put into action the generosity that comes from your faith as you understand and experience all the good things we have in Christ. (NLT)*

Father God, cultivate a heart of contentment in our children. Help them to trust in Your provision instead of struggling with doubt, envy, or fear.

You are able to provide for us. We need to trust in that. What You have already provided us with is more than enough.

Help our children to find freedom in contentment. In all situations, give us the strength to rely on You and not on the comforts or promises of the world.

Nothing can satisfy us the way You can. We pray for chances to learn and lean into this truth. Even if it is painful for a season, we know that You are a generous God. You want us to be whole. We pray that we can teach our children this truth.

*Amen*







God, You are more than enough





Let us love with actions and in truth





# 1 JOHN 3:18

<sup>18</sup>*Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. (NIV)*

God, thank You for the blessings of our children. They are a daily reminder to us of Your miracles.

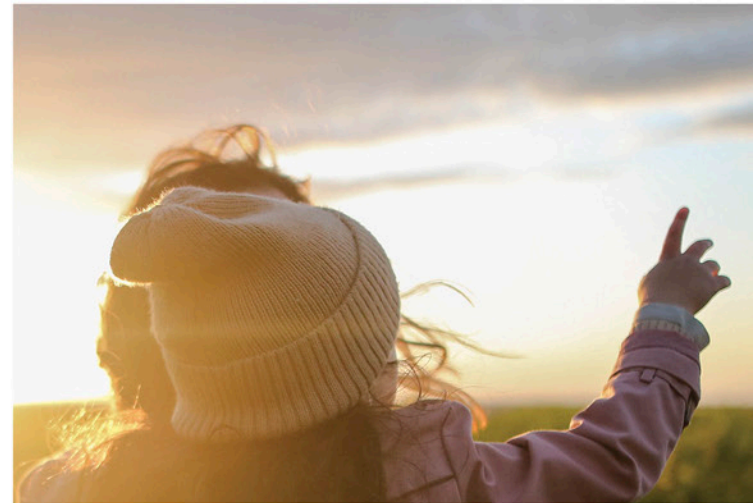
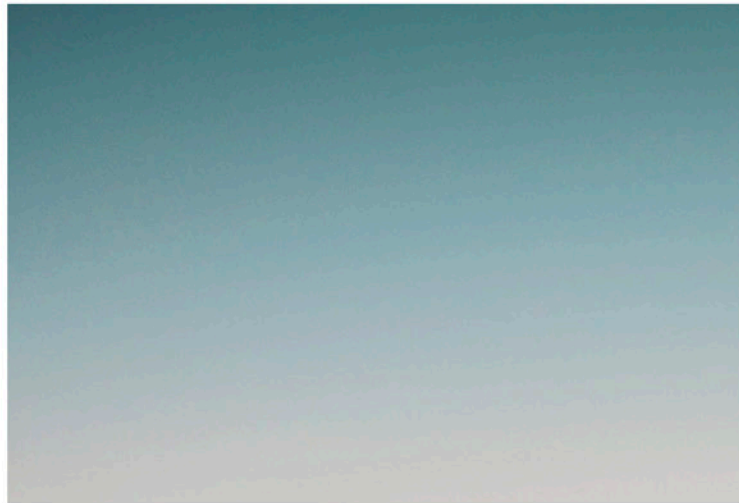
We ask that You guide our thoughts, words, and actions so that we can set the example for our children to follow. Help us have a loving attitude so our children learn how to speak and act with love.

Clear our minds of anything that is not from You. Help us to see with Your eyes and appreciate all the ways in which we are blessed.

May our children come to know Your heart and that all good things come from You. We surrender to You. Use us as parents to be the guiding light for our children and encourage them when life gets tough. We choose to have joy in our hearts and spirit and to love our children unconditionally.

*Amen*





Help us be parents deserving of honor







## DEUTERONOMY 5:16

*<sup>16</sup>Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the Lord your God is giving you. (NIV)*

**Heavenly Father, help us to be examples to our children of people who honor our parents and elders. How will they learn unless we model it for them?**

**We pray for You to put us in situations where we can set this example for our kids. Give us the strength to not shy away from sacrifice or from opportunities to serve our parents and elders. Help us to see with your eyes so we don't miss out on a single chance.**

**May we be the types of people who check in on elderly neighbors, give up our seat for someone who needs it more, and generally put others ahead of ourselves.**

**Help us to be parents deserving of honor and obedience so that we may, in turn, grow this attribute in the hearts of our kids.**

***Amen***





## 1 PETER 5:6-7

*<sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you. (NIV)*

Father, sometimes life can seem hopeless. Death and grief are real and can feel unsurmountable at times. In those moments, we pray that you bring the story of the resurrection of Jesus to our children's minds.

You breathed life into the grave and put a new beginning on an end. You have not given up on us. We hold tight to Your promises and are confident to put our trust in You in the midst of our storms.

We humbly ask that our children cling to this promise as well. Keep them from getting lost in the spiral of grief that can plague this world. Show them the benefits of humility and letting You take control.

**Amen**





Cast all your anxiety on Him because He  
cares for you





A photograph of two young children walking away from the camera on a wooden bridge. The child on the left is wearing a grey long-sleeved shirt, bright yellow pants, and a small woven hat. The child on the right is wearing a dark blue jacket, a floral skirt, and white tights, and is carrying a large stuffed animal. They are holding hands. The bridge has a dark metal railing, and the scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. Long shadows are cast across the wooden planks of the bridge.

Choose serving others over selfishness



## PHILIPPIANS 2:4

*<sup>4</sup>Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. (ESV)*

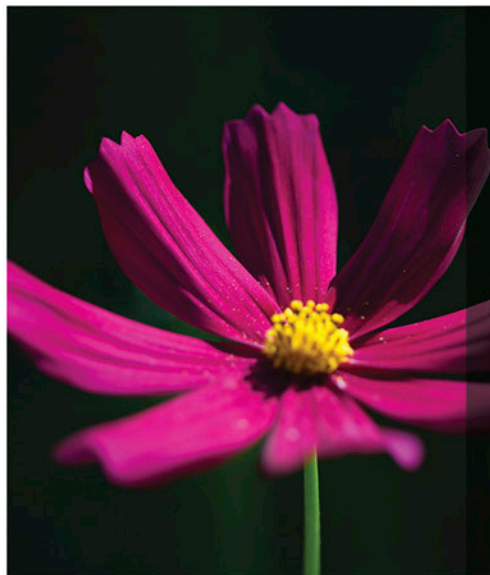
Heavenly Father, as we strive to be more and more like Your son, Jesus, every day, may You teach our children to have a servant's heart. We pray that they choose serving others over selfishness. We pray that they would choose to share Your love rather than to hide it. We pray that they would choose to be outwardly focused instead of inwardly focused.

Lord, we pray You instill a humble servant's attitude in their souls so that, in turn, Your light would be evident through their lives.

*Amen*







## PSALMS 145:18

<sup>18</sup>*The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth. (NIV)*

Thank You, God, for always being right where we need You to be, even when we turn away. Thank You for Your love being so comforting.

When our children ask for our help, guide us to respond with Your love. Give us Your wisdom to be firm in our response and gentle with our choice of words.

Let our connections with our children be as comforting as a warm embrace from You. Help us create the same safe, secure, peaceful, and loving environment that You provide for us.

We pray specifically that our children learn how You love us by the direct way we love on them. Through our prayers, may our children learn how to pray to You and grow in their individual relationship with You.

*Amen*





The Lord is near to all who call on Him



## GALATIANS 1:10

*<sup>10</sup>Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ. (NIV)*

Lord, we pray our children remember that their audience is You and not their friends. Help them to be sensitive to and aware of the needs of those around them, not to impress them or win their approval but to more effectively show Your love to them.

Allow their friends to see Your Spirit moving in our children, giving our children the affirmation that can only come from You.

Let the joy that comes from pleasing You significantly outweigh the compliments of others. Let their love for You drive their actions and words so that it positively impacts all their relationships.

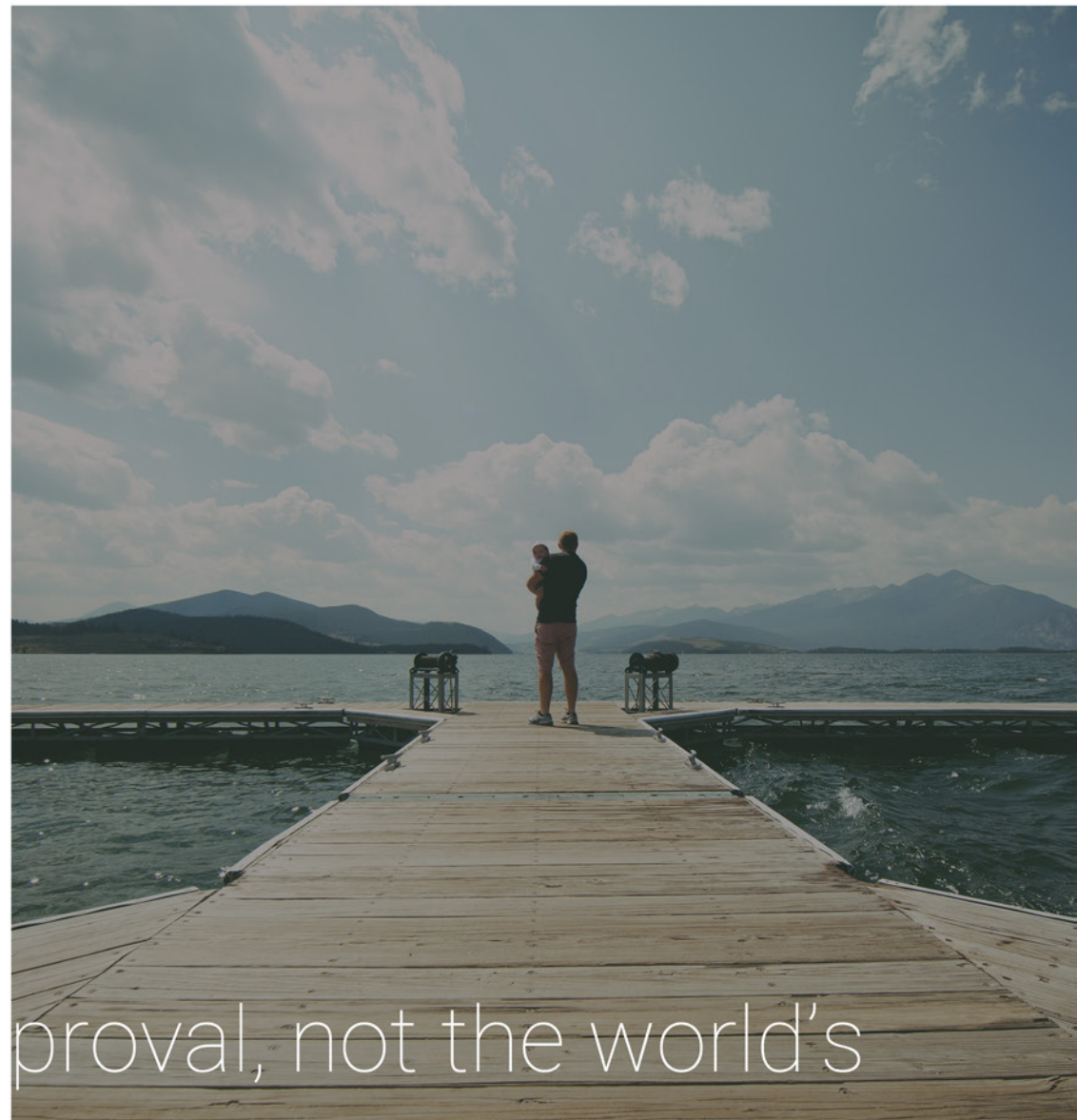
*Amen*







God, I want Your approval, not the world's





May Your Word be hidden in their hearts





## PROVERBS 12:18

<sup>18</sup>*The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. (NIV)*

We lift our children up to You, God. We pray You continue to grow them into the Godly people You made them to be. Keep their hearts pure so they may show Your Love to anyone they encounter. Help them to focus on You, and let them know that all good things come from You.

We pray they will overflow with Your joy so much that they want to pass it on to anyone they meet. Strengthen their minds so that they have the capacity to understand You and speak only messages of love.

We pray our children use their voices to encourage and lift others up. May they be filled with Your wisdom and may Your Word be hidden in their hearts so deep that it will never leave them.

*Amen*



## JOSHUA 1:7

*<sup>7</sup>Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. (NIV)*

Father God, help our kids be filled with courage and always rely on Your strength instead of their own. When they encounter a situation that terrifies them, remind them that it doesn't terrify You.

You work in those moments. You never leave us during those moments.

We don't need to let our lives be controlled by fear because of Your strength and overwhelming love for us.

We pray that, as parents, our constant goal is to show our children what it looks like to be brave and to trust in You. In turn, may our children be quick to call on You when they are scared or in times of doubt.

**Amen**







Help our kids be filled with courage





## MICAH 6:8

*<sup>8</sup>He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. (NIV)*

God, please give our children tender hearts. Help us teach them to forgive and appreciate grace.

When they are tempted to withhold forgiveness, remind them that You didn't and that any mercy they show is a reflection of Your love.

Teach us to rely on Your faithfulness and understanding of justice more than our own.

As parents, put us in situations where we need to model forgiveness for our kids, setting the example for them.

*Amen*





Please give our children tender hearts





Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice





## ROMANS 12:1

*<sup>1</sup>Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship. (NIV)*

Lord, today we pray for discernment for our kids. As they grow in Your Word and get to know You more, we ask that sin becomes so distasteful to them that they rebuke it, run from it, or refuse to participate in it.

Surround them with people of this same mindset. Let them find friends who encourage and help each other in striving to meet Your standards. Protect them from evil influences.

When our kids fail or give in to sin, we ask that You quickly remind them of Your grace so that they don't lose hope or heart over past failings.

Thank You, Father God, for Your gift of grace.

*Amen*





# DEUTERONOMY 1:30

*<sup>30</sup>The Lord your God, who is going before you, will fight for you, as he did for you in Egypt, before your very eyes... (NIV)*

**Father, we humbly ask that You give our children an unwavering faith that You are eager and able to fight on their behalf.**

**In the midst of storms, remind them that You are their Great Defender. You step in and fight for us. If they are currently in a storm, please step in and fight for them now. If the storm is yet to come, give them the faith to rely on You when it arrives.**

**When our kids feel cornered, stuck, or weak, we ask that You calm their fears and replace their weakness with Your strength.**

**Amen**





A dramatic seascape with a stormy sky and a calm sea. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, with a bright light source breaking through near the horizon, creating a golden glow. The sea is dark and textured with small waves. The horizon line is visible in the distance.

In the midst of the storm, You are our  
Great Defender



A person with long blonde hair is seen from behind, sitting on a large, dark rock. They are looking out over a vast valley at sunset. The sun is a bright, glowing orb in the center of the frame, casting a warm, golden light across the sky and the landscape. The valley below is filled with green fields and small settlements, all bathed in the soft light of the setting sun. The person is wearing a dark-colored shirt. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

In all things You are working for the good  
of those who love You



## ROMANS 8:28

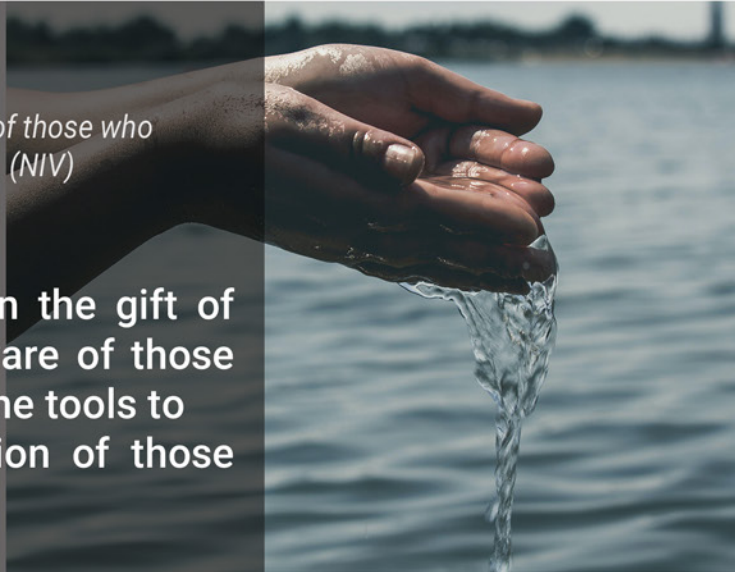
*<sup>28</sup>And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (NIV)*

Father God, please give our children the gift of Your compassion. Help them be aware of those who don't know You, and give them the tools to address the sadness and desperation of those they may encounter.

Help our children see with Your eyes and that they view the poor, not as inferior, but as brothers and sisters who need help, resources, and prayer. We ask that You bind the world from giving our children a distorted view of Your heart for us.

In all things You are working for the good of those who love You. We claim that promise. Help us to speak and act in love for You so that our children have a Godly example to follow.

*Amen*







Nothing can satisfy us the way You can





## PHILIPPIANS 4:11

*<sup>11</sup>I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. (NIV)*

Heavenly Father, we ask for You to create a spirit of contentment in our children. Help them to trust in You and Your ability to provide for them.

Shield them from thoughts or feelings of envy, doubt, or fear. You are more than enough. Help our children to experience the freedom that comes from being content in every situation. Nothing in this world can satisfy us the way You can.

In times where we have excess, we pray that we are thankful to You for our blessings. Keep us from being selfish and give us opportunities to bless others.

Let us be an example to our children of generosity, peace, and being content in every circumstance.

*Amen*





## PROVERBS 8:17

*<sup>17</sup>I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me. (ESV)*

God, remind us to be diligent in our pursuit of You. We need to be thorough in our relationship with You so that our children see examples of diligent devotion.

Strengthen our spiritual disciplines. Remind us of the importance of time spent with You. Reveal Your truth to us in our quiet times. Give us the ability to prioritize You above things less important.

As we grow in our intentional pursuit of You, may our children see what we do and model our behavior in their own lives. Help our kids to go after You with all they have. We pray that you bless their efforts to pursue a relationship with You.

Thank You for being a loving Father to us.

*Amen*



Remind us to be diligent in our pursuit of You





## JAMES 1:17

*<sup>17</sup>Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. (NIV)*

Lord, we ask that Your mercy is the foundation for the actions and decisions of our children. Help their hearts overflow with grace and gratitude. Remind them to always be thankful for the blessings in their lives.

When they start to feel entitled, or the world tells them that they are owed something, we pray that You swiftly remind them of this truth: there is nothing good that comes to us that does not come from You.

Remind all of us of the cost of the gift of grace. While we were still sinners, Your only Son died for us. Help our children to understand the price that was paid and appreciate every good thing in our lives.

Thank You for being so generous and never changing.

*Amen*





Every good and perfect gift comes from You







## TITUS 2:12-14

*<sup>12</sup>It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup>while we wait for the blessed hope -- the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup>who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. (NIV)*

God, Your grace and Your Word are the foundation for our strength to be able to say "no" when presented with temptation. Our prayer today is that our children become followers of Yours and that following You is the number one priority in their lives.

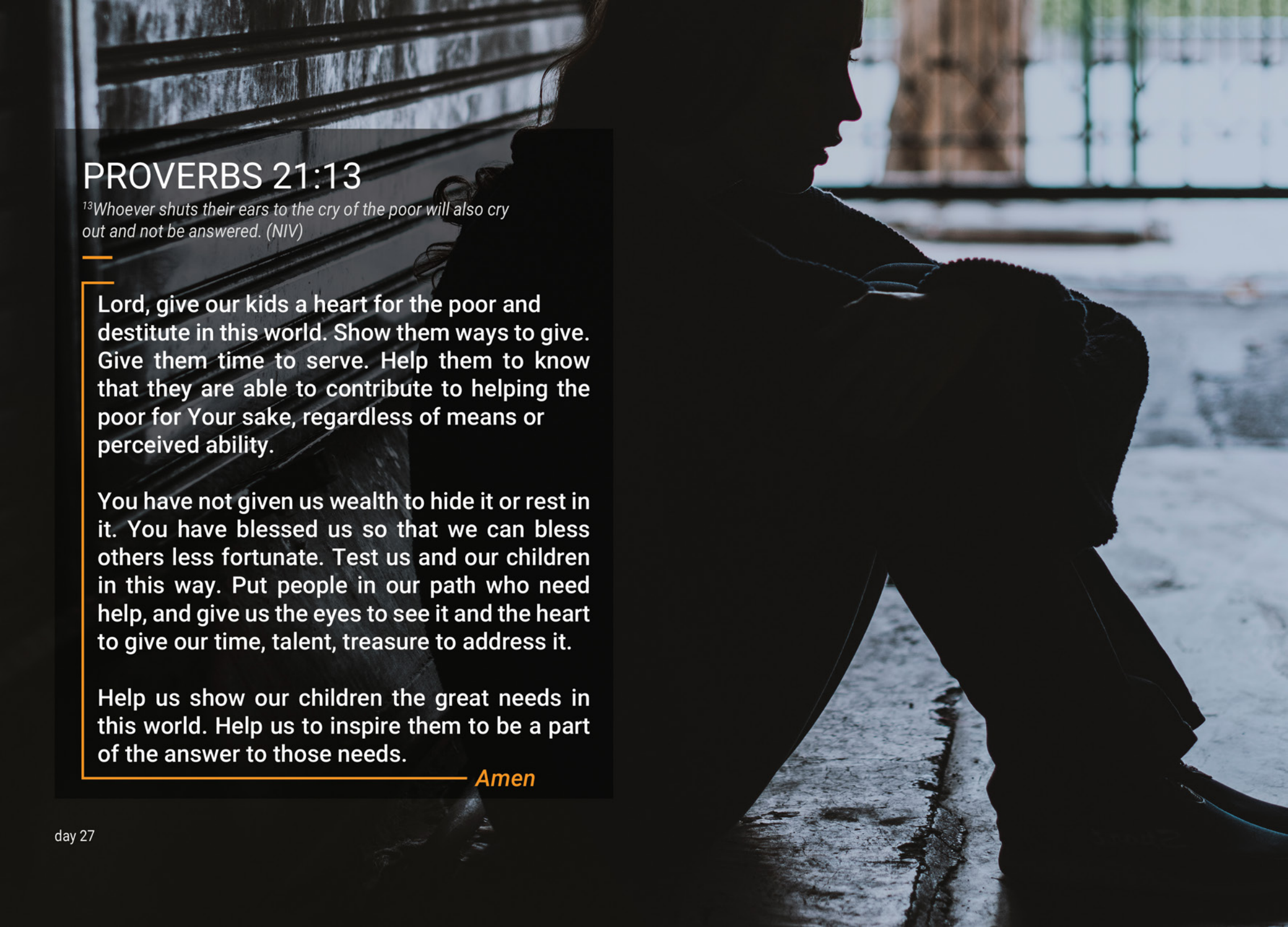
Make them passionate readers of Your Word. Make them interested in and eager to learn matters of faith. Remove any doubt or apathy toward the things that matter to You.

We pray that our children are motivated by compassion, gratitude, and a sensitivity and understanding of the things that are most important to You.

*Amen*







## PROVERBS 21:13

<sup>13</sup>Whoever shuts their ears to the cry of the poor will also cry out and not be answered. (NIV)

Lord, give our kids a heart for the poor and destitute in this world. Show them ways to give. Give them time to serve. Help them to know that they are able to contribute to helping the poor for Your sake, regardless of means or perceived ability.

You have not given us wealth to hide it or rest in it. You have blessed us so that we can bless others less fortunate. Test us and our children in this way. Put people in our path who need help, and give us the eyes to see it and the heart to give our time, talent, treasure to address it.

Help us show our children the great needs in this world. Help us to inspire them to be a part of the answer to those needs.

**Amen**



Give us a heart for the poor







## 1 PETER 4:9

<sup>9</sup> Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. (NIV)



Father, help our kids have a desire and a willingness to be hospitable. Help them to remember that You have instructed us to be good stewards of our blessings.

Help us make our home into a place where people who don't know You are able to sense You. May our home be a place where those who do know You are able to rest and be in Your presence.

Remind us that it doesn't have to look perfect to be a refuge for others. Help us identify ways we can show Your love and do Your will by opening our doors and our lives to others.

*Amen*





Give us an urge to seek and listen to Your voice





# ISAIAH 59:1

*<sup>1</sup>Surely the arm of the Lord is not too short to save,  
nor his ear too dull to hear. (NIV)*

Lord, remind our kids that nothing You have asked or will ask them to do is bigger than the scope of Your power and the length of Your reach.

Give them an urge to seek and listen to Your voice. Help them to be dependable servants of all You have given them.

When the world wants to remind them of their failures, remind our kids that You love to use the weak to show Your strength. Teach them the value of making the right choice, no matter how hard.

As parents, let us be people that demonstrate courage and faithfulness in the battles we fight. Let us set an example of faith for our children. You are mighty to save.

*Amen*





## JAMES 5:16

*<sup>16</sup>Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. (NIV)*

God, create a disciplined prayer life in our children. Direct their thoughts, conversations, and requests. In their prayer time, reveal Your promises and love for them.

Remind our kids that prayer is not the “last resort.” Give them an urgency to come to You first; in praise, in frustration, in fear, and in need.

When they feel like they aren’t seeing an answer from You, let them not grow weary in prayer. Give them patience and tell them that You will see them through to the last detail. Help them remember that nothing has been left to chance.

**Amen**



Create a disciplined prayer life in our children





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