

40-Day Prayer Guide For The Family

Introduction:

One of the most precious gifts we have from God is our families. God instituted the family. We try to be good parents, grandparents and siblings but often, we feel that our efforts fall short. But there is one thing that we all can do for our family that is fool-proof. We can pray for them. What follows is 40 days of prayer suggestions for our families. We are hoping that everyone in our church will participate and pray together for our families over the next 40 days.

All we ask is that each day for the next 40 days, you will read the suggested Bible verse and prayer suggestions and then **PRAY** for your family. We hope and pray that the Holy Spirit will use these Bible verses and suggestions to guide you as you pray daily for your family. The family is the cornerstone of our churches, our communities, and our nation. Let's protect it. Let's pray for it. Let's believe that God will honor our prayers so that our families will be strengthened.

Day 1 - Read Deuteronomy 6:4-7

- * Pray that your home will provide the atmosphere where your family can grow in Christ.
- * Pray for the formation of Christian character in your family.

Day 2 - Read Ephesians 6:4

- * Pray that you will be a good parent/grandparent/example to your children.
- * Pray for the wisdom to be a good parent/grandparent/example.

Day 3 - Read Ephesians 5:25-29

- * Pray that your relationship to your spouse/family nurtures Christian love & growth.
- * Pray for the spiritual well-being of your spouse/family.

Day 4 - Read John 14:25-27

- * Pray that your family will experience the peace of God in the storms of life.
- * Lead your family to pray for God's peace in the lives of others.

Day 5 - Read Deuteronomy 30:15-20

- * Pray that your family will experience true prosperity because the Lord is their Great Shepherd.
- * Pray that your family will not be a slave to material things.

Day 6 - Read 2 Timothy 1:12

- * Pray that your family will know that their security rests in the strong arms of God.
- * Pray that your family will live bold lives because it is God who watches over them.

Day 7 - Read Romans 14:16-19

- * Pray that your family will experience the best joy of all, the joy that comes from God.
- * Pray that your family's desire for God will be strong enough to overcome the mediocrity of daily life.

Day 8 - Read Romans 5:1-2

- * Pray that your family will be flooded from within with the light of faith.
- * Pray that your family will not be too busy to spend some time with God on a daily basis.

Day 9 - Read 1 Peter 3:8-11

- * Pray that your family will be delivered from evil.
- * Pray that your family will overcome evil with good.

Day 10 - Read James 1:6-8

- * Pray that your family will be free of doubts in this age of confusion.
- * Pray that God will strengthen the faith of all your family members.

Day 11 - Read Matthew 25:34-40

- * Pray that in this age of materialism your family will know the virtue of giving to those who are in need.
- * Ask God to give your family a clear understanding of what is right and wrong.

Day 12 - Read John 16:33

- * Pray that your family will face problems with the grace of God knowing that trials bring about perseverance.
- * Ask God to give your family strength to do hard tasks when it would be easier to cut corners.

Day 13 - Read Matthew 18:21-22

- * Pray that your family not only experiences God's forgiveness, but also pray that they forgive others.
- * Pray that once your family experiences God's forgiveness they will also be free from the guilt of sin.

Day 14 - Read Mark 8:36-37

- * Pray that while you make a living for your family you do not forget to make a life for them as well.
- * Pray that your family will imitate your virtues and not your faults.

Day 15 - Read Matthew 6:25-30

- * Pray that your family will be free from anxiety.
- * Pray about other matters that come to mind as you read this Scripture.

Day 16 - Read Ephesians 4:32

- * Pray that in a world full of rudeness, your family will be kind to others.
- * Pray for yourself that you may show kindness to your own family.

Day 17 - Read 1 Timothy 6:9-10

- * Pray that your family will not be controlled by the love of money.
- * Pray that your family will discover the true treasures of God.

Day 18 - Read Romans 13:8

- * Pray that your family will know true love and will love others.
- * Pray that when your family faces rejection, they will turn to God for comfort.

Day 19 - Read Matthew 6:9-13

- * Pray that your family will start or keep the habit of prayer.
- * Pray that today your family will be safe from the harms of this world.

Day 20 - Read Colossians 3:23-24

- * Pray that your family will know the value of work.
- * Pray that your family will know joy in serving God.

Day 21 - Read Galatians 6:9-10

- * Pray that your family will have eyes to see and meet the needs of others.
- * Pray that your family will be free from the burden of selfishness.

Day 22 - Read Psalm 8:1-9

- * Pray that your family will always know that they are special to God.
- * Pray that your family will have the wisdom to take time to enjoy God's creation.

Day 23 - Read Luke 21:1-4

- * Pray that your family will try great things for God even if they have little to give.
- * Pray that your family will not look down on those who have less than they do.

Day 24 - Read John 9:4-5

- * Pray that your family will have a proper perspective of life.
- * Pray that your family will not waste time on things they can't change.

Day 25 - Read Matthew 5:23-24

- * Pray that your family will not be controlled by an angry or vengeful heart.
- * Pray that you will be an example of forgiveness for your family.

Day 26 - Read Matthew 5:8

- * Pray that in a corrupt world, your family will always have a pure heart.
- * Pray that your family will have a close relationship with God.

Day 27 - Read 2 Corinthians 7:9-10

- * Pray that your family will always be close enough to God so that when they sin, they will soon repent.
- * Pray about other matters that come to mind as you read this Scripture.

Day 28 - Read John 20:1-19

- * Pray that your family knows the power of Christ's resurrection.
- * Pray for those in your family who don't know Christ.

Day 29 - Read Psalm 93:1-5

- * Pray that your family will never lose its reverence for God.
- * Pray that your family will never stray from the worship of God.

Day 30 - Read Philippians 2:3-4

- * Pray that your family will not be guilty of selfishness.
- * Pray that your family will always put God first in their lives.

Day 31 - Read Mark 9:33-35

- * Pray that the members of your family will have a servant's heart.
- * Pray that your family will discover true Christian humility.

Day 32 - Read Matthew 25:14-30

- * Pray that your family will be good stewards of all that God has given them.
- * Pray that your family will be generous.

Day 33 - Read 1 Corinthians 10:13

- * Pray that when facing temptation, your family will turn to God for strength.
- * Pray for your family to never use temptation as an excuse to sin.

Day 34 - Read Psalm 100:1-5

- * Pray that your family will always have gratitude, giving thanks to God.
- * Pray that your family will see thankfulness in your own life.

Day 35 - Read James 4:13-15

- * Pray that your family will respect the precious gift of time.
- * Pray that your family has a sense of urgency when it comes to doing the right thing.

Day 36 - Read Psalm 62:1-12

- * Pray that your family will turn to God in times of trouble and rely on His strength to carry them through.
- * Pray that your family will always have Christian friends to lean on in times of trouble.

Day 37 - Read Psalm 27:1-14

- * Pray that your family will have a fearless trust in God who is our light and our salvation.
- * Pray that your family will be bold believers.

Day 38 - Read Proverbs 28:18

- * Pray that your family will have a vision that comes from God.
- * Pray that your family will never let the darkness of the world keep them from seeing God at work in their lives.

Day 39 - Read 3 John 2

- * Pray for your family's health.
- * Pray that your family knows that its hope is in Christ.

Day 40 - Read Proverbs 3:13-26

- * Pray that your family will be filled with God's wisdom.
- * Pray that your family will make personal choices in light of God's moral demands.