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Parents Prayers

Each of the numbers below represent a day of the month. Parents can pray over their children a unique way each of thirty days each month. Some parents place this list in their personal digital accessory to make it more available each morning.

Day 1

Salvation Lord, let salvation spring up within my children that they may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory (Isa. 45:8; 2 Tim. 2:10).

Day 2

Growth in Grace I pray that they may “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ” (2 Pet. 3:18).

Day 3

Love Grant, Lord, that my children may learn to live a life of love through the Spirit who dwells in them (Eph. 5:2; Gal. 5:22).

Day 4

Honesty and Integrity May integrity and honesty be their virtue and their protection (Ps. 25:25).

Day 5

Self-control 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 Thess. 5:6).

Day 6

A Love for God's Word May my children grow to find God's Word “more desirable than gold—than an abundance of pure gold; and sweeter than honey— than honey dripping from the comb” (Ps. 19:10).

Day 7

Justice God, help my children love justice as you do and to “act justly” in all they do (Mic. 6:8).

Day 8

Mercy May my children always “be merciful, just as [their] Father also is merciful” (Luke 6:36).

Day 9

Respect (for Self, Others, Authority) Father, grant that my children may “show proper respect to everyone,” as Your Word commands (1 Pet. 2:17 NIV).

Day 10

Strong, Biblical Self-esteem Help my children develop a strong self-esteem that is rooted in the realization that they are “God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus” (Eph. 2:10 NIV).

Day 11

Faithfulness “Never let loyalty and faithfulness leave you,” but bind these twin virtues around their necks and write them on the tablet of their hearts (Prov. 3:3).

Day 12

A Passion for God Lord, please instill in my children a soul with a craving for you, a heart that clings passionately to you (Ps. 63:8).

Day 13

Responsibility Grant that my children may learn responsibility, “for each person will have to carry his own load” (Gal. 6:5).

Day 14

Kindness Lord, may my children “always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else” (1 Thess. 5:15 NIV).

Day 15

Generosity Grant that my children may “be generous, willing to share, storing up for themselves a good foundation for the age to come” (1 Tim. 6:18–19).

Day 16

Peace, Peaceability Father, let my children “make every effort to do what leads to peace” (Rom. 14:19).

Day 17

Hope May the God of hope grant that my children may overflow with hope and hopefulness by the power of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:13).

Day 18

Perseverance Lord, teach my children perseverance in all they do, and help them especially to “run with endurance the race that lies before [them]” (Heb. 12:1).

Day 19

Humility Lord, please cultivate in my children the ability to “show true humility toward all” (Titus 3:2).

Day 20

Compassion Lord, please clothe my children with the virtue of compassion (Col. 3:12).

Day 21

Prayerfulness Grant, Lord, that my children's lives may be marked by prayerfulness, that they may learn to “with every prayer and request pray at all times in the Spirit,” (Eph 6:18).

Day 22

Contentment Father, teach my children “the secret of being content in any and every situation ... through him who gives [them] strength” (Phil. 4:12–13).

Day 23

Faith 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; Heb. 11:1–40).

Day 24

A Servant Heart Lord, please help my children develop servant hearts, that they may serve wholeheartedly “as to the Lord and not to men” (Eph. 6:7). Day 25—Purity “God, create a clean heart,” and let their purity of heart be shown in their actions (Ps. 51:10).

Day 26

Willingness and Ability to Work Hard Teach my children, Lord, to value work and to work hard at everything they do, “as something done for the Lord and not for men” (Col. 3:23).

Day 27

Self-discipline 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” (Prov. 1:3 NIV).

Day 28

Heart for Missions 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 (Ps. 96:3).

Day 29

Joy May my children be filled “with the joy from the Holy Spirit” (1 Thess. 1:6).

Day 30

Courage May my children always “be strong and courageous” in their character and in their actions (Deut. 31:6).