

Counselor's Corner
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Blessings to Pray over Our Children

As the school year winds down, there are so many things for which to be grateful. Together we have worked to guide our students through a difficult year full of pandemic related stress, and we have seen them grow and thrive despite the challenges. No doubt the powers of faith and prayer have helped everyone get through this year like no other. While we continue to prepare our children to face the world and to protect them from all that may harm them, there is no better defense we can offer than to pray with them and for them. Here are prayers of blessing that you can pray for your children:

Prayer of Acceptance

"But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven'" (Matthew 19:14).

Lord, while the world tells my children they need to be seen, noticed, and succeed, help me teach them that You receive them just as they are. May my children know that You accept the least, and are always ready to forgive, and love, and be merciful.

Prayer of Lasting Love for God

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).

Lord, help me teach my children to love You with all their heart. While the world gives them a false view of You and of love, let our home be a place where unconditional love is practiced and pursued. May my children always remember Your great love for them and know they are never too far to return to You.

Prayer of Identity

"I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well" (Psalm 139:14).

Lord, while the world tells my children to be what they feel like, and to do what feels good, help me to teach them the truth about how You created them. Give them clean hearts to honor You with identity that You might be glorified through them.

Prayer of Love

"Hear me, O Lord, for Your loving kindness is good; turn to me according to the multitude of Your tender mercies" (Psalm 69:16).

Lord, above all may my children know Your love. May they recall Your truth when they feel less than loved and may they know You love no matter what. Through their own acceptance of Your love, may they love others well and without judgement.

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