

## **31 Sample Prayers for Children**

*Replace 'my child' with your child's name when you pray aloud.*

[Day 1] *1 Samuel 1:26-28 (NIV)*

*<sup>26</sup> and she said to him, "Pardon me, my lord. As surely as you live, I am the woman who stood here beside you praying to the Lord. <sup>27</sup> I prayed for this child, and the Lord has granted me what I asked of him. <sup>28</sup> So now I give him to the Lord. For his whole life he will be given over to the Lord." And he worshiped the Lord there.*

Heavenly Father, thank you for giving me my child. I dedicate him/her to you. He/She will worship you as his/her Living God, now and forever. Amen.

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[Day 2] *Luke 10:27 (NIV)*

*<sup>27</sup> He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'"*

Dear God, I pray for my child, to grow up loving you with his/her whole being and to love others as himself/herself. Amen.

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[Day 3] *Proverbs 3:24 (NIV)*

*<sup>24</sup> When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.*

Gracious Lord, give the gift of sleep to my and myself every night, so we will be refreshed and rested every morning. Amen.

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[Day 4] *Isaiah 54:13 (NIV)*

*<sup>13</sup> All your children will be taught by the Lord, and great will be their peace.*

Grant to my child, dear Lord, a teachable spirit so that he/she will grow to maturity in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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[Day 5] *Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)*

*<sup>10</sup> So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

Thank you, Almighty God, for protecting my child. You are always there with and for him/her. He/She will never be at a loss. Amen.

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[Day 6] *Acts 16:31 (NIV)*

*<sup>31</sup> They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."*

Dear Jesus, who is both Lord and Saviour, thank you in advance for the salvation of the child and family. Amen.

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[Day 7] *Joshua 1:9 (NIV)*

*<sup>9</sup>Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.*

Lord Jesus, our Commander-in-Chief, I pray for my child to be strong and courageous as he/she follows after you. Amen.

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[Day 8] *Hebrews 13:5 (NIV)*

*<sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."*

Givers of all good things, thank you for your provision. I pray for my child to experience contentment in your goodness. Amen.

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[Day 9] *1 Samuel 12:24 (NIV)*

*<sup>24</sup>But be sure to fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.*

Thank you, Lord, for the great things you had done, is doing and will do in my child's life. May he/she grow up to fear and serve you faithfully. Amen.

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[Day 10] *Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV)*

*<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.*

Holy Spirit, thank you for transforming my child from within resulting in godly character that glorifies Jesus Christ in his/her life. Amen.

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[Day 11] *Proverbs 13:20 (NIV)*

*<sup>20</sup>Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.*

Dear God, I pray that you will bring good and wise people into my child's life so he/she will be wise to acknowledge you as the source of his/her wisdom. Amen.

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[Day 12] *Philippians 2:3-4 (NIV)*

*<sup>3</sup>Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup>not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.*

Lord Jesus, grant to my child a humble and caring heart that pleases you. Amen.

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[Day 13] *Proverbs 10:9 (NIV)*

*<sup>9</sup>Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but whoever takes crooked paths will be found out.*

Father God, shape and mould my child to become the man/woman of integrity who will live a steadfast life for Jesus. Amen.

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[Day 14] *Ephesians 4:32 (NIV)*

<sup>32</sup> *Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.*

Most Merciful God, give to my child a forgiving heart that will not hold grudges; a heart that is not easily hurt. Amen.

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[Day 15] *Ephesians 5:1-2 (NIV)*

<sup>1</sup> *Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children* <sup>2</sup> *and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

Loving God, I pray that my child will experience your love and in turn love others as you love. Amen.

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[Day 16] *Ephesians 6:1 (NIV)*

<sup>1</sup> *Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.*

Dear God, teach me to parent my child with love and grace so that he/she will be an obedient child. Amen.

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[Day 17] *Matthew 6:31-33 (NIV)*

<sup>31</sup> *So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'* <sup>32</sup> *For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.* <sup>33</sup> *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

Father in Haven, I pray that my child will grow up placing you first and consider only on eternal things that matter in his/her life. In so doing he/she also will experience your generous providence. Amen.

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[Day 18] *Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)*

<sup>11</sup> *For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

Thank you, Awesome God, for the wonderful plans you have for my child. May he/she fulfil your purposes for him/her in your good time. Amen.

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[Day 19] *Jeremiah 33:3 (NIV)*

<sup>3</sup> *'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'*

Everlasting God, enable me to impress upon my child that you are an all knowing God who longs to talk and relate to us. Amen.

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[Day 20] *Psalms 121:8 (NIV)*

<sup>8</sup> *the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.*

All Powerful God, thank you for watching over and protecting my child wherever he/she may be throughout his/her life. Amen.

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[Day 21] *2 Timothy 1:7 (NIV)*

*<sup>7</sup>For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.*

Spirit of God, grant unto my child, power, love and self-discipline to live a life pleasing to you. Amen.

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[Day 22] *James 4:7 (NIV)*

*<sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.*

Lord Jesus, I pray that my child will learn to submit to you and be strengthened by you to resist the devil. Amen.

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[Day 23] *1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV)*

*<sup>16</sup>Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup>pray continually, <sup>18</sup>give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

Grant O Lord, to my child a joyful heart, a prayerful spirit and a thankful attitude. Amen.

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[Day 24] *Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)*

*<sup>5</sup>Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup>in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.*

Dear Lord, I pray that my child will grow up always seeking and trusting your guidance in all his/her endeavours. Amen.

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[Day 25] *Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)*

*<sup>10</sup>For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

Creator Father, I pray that my child will always be secure knowing his/her identity and worth in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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[Day 26] *Psalms 42 (NIV)*

*<sup>1</sup>As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.*

Lord Jesus, satisfy my child's every spiritual need; place in him/her a passion for the things that is in your heart. Amen.

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[Day 27] *Philippians 4:8 (NIV)*

*<sup>8</sup>Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.*

Father God, fill the mind of my child with positive, godly and noble thoughts to counter the negative, evil and corrupt agenda of the world. Amen.

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[Day 28] *Philippians 2:13 (NIV)*

*<sup>13</sup> for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.*

I give thanks to you, Most Faithful God, that what you have begun in my child, you will complete and it will be the best. Amen.

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[Day 29] *John 10:27-28 (NIV)*

*<sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.*

Jesus, Great Shepherd of our souls, I pray that my child will learn to recognize your voice and follow closely after you all the days of his/her life. Amen.

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[Day 30] *Galatians 5:13 (NIV)*

*<sup>13</sup> You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.*

Dear God, give to my child a servant's heart, just like Jesus. Help him/her grow up desiring more to be like Jesus and less like the world around him/her. Teach him/her to be a true servant in both word and deed. Amen.

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[Day 31] *2 Corinthians 6:14 (NIV)*

*<sup>14</sup> Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?*

Dear Lord, I pray that my child will not be unequally yoked in intimate relationships and desire to be with someone who is in an intimate relationship with you. I pray that my child's future life partner will love, honour and serve You. Amen