

July 19, 2020

NWMC Conference Kids

Prayer

Introduction

Please read through the introduction with your child together. Feel free to discuss.

On the last day of the conference we are going to talk about Prayer. Have you prayed before? Do you know what it means to pray? Prayer is a spiritual conversation between you and God, meaning prayer is how you talk to God. We can't call God on the telephone and chat like we do with our friends, but we can still talk with God through prayer. Why should we pray? Because it makes our relationship with God stronger! He wants us to call upon him for things like guidance, wisdom and protection. He will help us when we are sick or when we are sad. He will forgive us if we ask him to. God is so good that he can do all of these things and more! Let's read about how Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

Scripture: Matthew 6:5-13

Please read the scripture out loud to your child or have them read it to you. Then, use the example questions to discuss what you learn from the scripture.

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5 “And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. **6** But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. **7** And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they



think they will be heard because of their many words. **8** Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

9 “This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,

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your kingdom come,
your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

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Give us today our daily bread.

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And forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

13

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from the evil one.

Discussion/ Questions:

What is prayer?

How often do you pray?

What is something you pray about every day?

Why do we pray?

What is something new you can pray about?



Wrap Up:

God asks us to have faith in him and his son, Jesus Christ. Faith is not easy. It requires work and action. If we do not act, our faith can become weak. The best way to seek action is to PRAY. Prayer is so important! When we pray our relationship with God grows. God listens to us no matter how long or short our prayers are. He knows what we are going to pray before we even pray it!

Prayer:

Please take this time to pray with your child. There is an example prayer below.

Heavenly Father, thank you for listening to our prayers. Thank you for always being there for us when we are sad or happy. Lord God, help us to pray to you every day no matter how we are feeling. Thank you for loving us so much. In your name we pray. Amen.