



Learning to talk, listen, and  
color with God.

“Don’t worry about anything. Instead,  
pray about everything.” Philippians 4:6



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## FAITH FIX FAMILY DEVOTIONS

*You will find a prayer bucket and popsicle sticks in your box. This for all month to write your prayer requests on. Write them on the sticks and put them in the bucket. During your prayer time, make sure to get them out and pray for them.*

**“Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.” Matthew 21:22**

God in Heaven

Hear my prayer

Keep me in

Thy loving care.

Be my guide in all I do

Bless all those who love me too.

Amen.

Father we thank thee for the night

And for the pleasant morning light

For rest and food and loving care

And all that makes the day so fair

Help us to do the things we should

To be to others kind and good

In all we do, in work or play

To grow more loving every day

Amen.

# Prayer Resources

\*Bedtime Prayers\*

Now I lay me

Down to Sleep

I pray the Lord

My soul to keep.

Guide me safely

Through the night.

And wake me with the morning light.

Amen.

Never done a family devotional before?  
No worries!

## Quick Tips!

1. Read through the devotional together, maybe take turns reading.
2. Read the Bible story together
3. Go through the questions as a family, allowing everyone a chance to answer. **IMPORTANT:** there are no wrong answers!
4. Branch out, don't be afraid to try something new! Give the activities a chance and see how they go!
5. Pray together as a family
6. Have FUN!

# PRAYING WITH OUR HANDS

## DEVOTION

Do you know what praying means? Prayer means talking to God. It is as simple as that. When we pray, we talk to God about whatever is on our minds or in our hearts. A lot of the time when we pray we ask God for things. If someone is sick, we ask God to help them. If we have a test at school, we ask God to be with us. If we are having a hard time with friends, we can ask God to help us resolve our problems. God loves to hear our prayer concerns because God loves to hear from us! Although it is good to ask God for help, prayer is also giving God praise and saying thank you! Let's read a passage from the Bible showing us this very thing.

## BIBLE STORY

"Praise God" is found in the Spark Story Bible on page 158. It is also Psalm 8 in any Bible.

## FINAL THOUGHT

God has made amazing things, right? Look outside at all of the beauty that God created! What is one of your favorite things that God created? Share as a family. When you create something, do you like to be told how great it is? What about when you do something nice for someone; do you like to be told thank you? What about God, do you think God would like to be told thank you? Do you think God would like to be told how awesome he is too? This Psalm shows us how we are to praise and thank God for all he has done. God does so much for us, it is important to tell him thank you. Do you think you can try doing that?

## FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is something you can thank God for today?
2. What is something you can praise God for today?

## Johnny Appleseed Prayer

OHHHHHH

The Lord is good to me,

And so I thank the Lord

For giving me

The things I need

Like the sun, and the rain and the apple seed.

The Lord is good to Me.

Amen. Amen. Amen, Amen, Amen. AMEN!

## Come Lord Jesus

Come Lord Jesus

Be our guest

Let this food (gifts)

To us be blessed.

Amen.

# Prayer Resources

\*Meal time prayers\*

## God is Great Prayer

God is great, God is good.

Let us thank him for our food.

By his hands, we are fed.

Thank you God for daily bread.

Amen.

## Superman Prayer

(Superman theme song)

Thank you God for giving us food

Thank you God for giving us food

For the food that we eat

And the friends that we meet

Thank you God for giving us food.

Amen Amen Amen

3. Do you have any prayer requests for God? Things that you need help with? Or people that might need God's help?

## ACTIVITY - PRAYER GLOVES

In your box you will find gloves and markers. To help us remember how to pray, we are going to make some prayer gloves. Below you will find what words to write on which finger of the glove, and then decorate them however you would like!

Thumb—Praise God

Pointer Finger—Confess your mistakes

Middle Finger—Thank God

Ring Finger—Pray for Others

Pinky Finger—Pray for yourself

When you are praying, these gloves will help you remember the different things to say. It is important to give God thanks and praise, along with our requests for others and ourselves. It is also important to tell God the mistakes you have made and ask for forgiveness. And guess what?! God forgives us ALWAYS! Why? Because God LOVES YOU no matter what! Praise God!

## PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for loving us. Thank you for wanting to talk with us. Help us to remember to talk to you every day. You are amazing, Lord! Thank you for all of our blessings. We love you. Amen.

# Labyrinth Prayer

## DEVOTION

Last week we learned how to pray to God. We learned five different ways to pray: praise, thanksgiving, confessing our mistakes, praying for others and praying for ourselves. Did you take time last week to pray with your prayer gloves? If not, there is always this week! We are going to hear a story about a boy who discovered something else important about prayer. Let's read about Samuel.

## BIBLE STORY

"God calls Samuel" is found in the Spark Story Bible on page 122 or can be found in 1 Samuel 3:1-20.

## FINAL THOUGHT

Who was Samuel hearing at night? It was God! All it took was for Samuel to stop and listen, right? How amazing! Prayer is not just about talking all the time, but it is also about listening. When we have conversations with our friends, we listen as well as talk, right? The same goes for praying to God. It is so important to have time to just listen and think about our lives and where God is leading us. Samuel finally heard from God when he stopped running and just said, "God I am listening." God wants to hear from us and also wants us to listen. We don't always hear a voice, like Samuel did, but sometimes we may get a good feeling, or feel like we really need to go and do something for God. Sometimes God speaks to us through other people! God works in many different ways. What is important for us to remember is that we need to take time and listen.

## FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How would you feel if you were Samuel and heard God's voice?

## FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Which way have you liked praying the most? With our hands, the labyrinth or the special Lord's Prayer?
2. What are some other ways you think we can pray? Dancing? Singing?
3. Praying to God doesn't have to be fancy and proper. Praying to God is just talking to him! Can you make a challenge for yourself about praying to God? Can you think of when or where this week you can try?

## ACTIVITY - PRAYING IN COLOR

Our prayer activity this week is to pray while we color! In your box you will find praying in color books as well as crayons. If you prefer to color with markers or colored pencils, feel free to grab your own and use those. The object of this activity is to find space for yourself to color and pray. The book has different coloring pages inside that either are a drawing of something you can pray about, a Bible verse for you to say or a blank page where you can draw your own prayer requests. Give this praying in color a try! Find a place to color and as you begin, say a little prayer to God. Then, while you are coloring, think about all of the things you are thankful for. Think about the things you need help with. Think about the things you want to praise God for. Bring all of these things to God as you color. You can draw or write them out, or simply say them to God. We hope you enjoy this and take time to do it more often!

## PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you that we can talk to you in so many different ways. Help us to try new ways to pray and talk with you. Most importantly, help us to remember that you are with us ALWAYS, no matter what. We love you. Amen.

# PRAYING IN COLOR

## DEVOTION

Praying can look many different ways. Some people pray standing, some pray kneeling. Some people pray while dancing, singing or playing an instrument. We have a story this week about a woman who prayed so hard for a child. Let's see what happened!

## BIBLE STORY

"Hannah Prays for a Child" is found in the Spark Story Bible on page 118. It can also be found in 1 Samuel 1:9-27.

## FINAL THOUGHT

Hannah was a woman who really wanted a child. She wanted a child so badly that she went to the temple every day and prayed and prayed and prayed. Nothing was stopping Hannah from making sure that God knew that she wanted a child. The priest at the temple thought Hannah was praying in a very silly way, but Hannah explained to him that she was just praying so hard for a child.

Prayer can be done in many different ways. In our story for this week, Hannah shows us that you can pray in your own way, as often as you want. Our first week we learned a way to pray with our hands. The second week we learned how to pray with a labyrinth. Last week we learned the Lord's Prayer. This week we are learning that we can even pray by coloring. That's right, by coloring! Do you like to color? Well we are going to try to color and pray at the same time. It is such a fun activity and a different way to spend time talking with God!

2. Do you find it easy or hard to just sit and listen?

*Sometimes it can be hard to sit still for a long time. We have an activity this week to help us with that!*

## ACTIVITY - PAPER LABYRINTH

We are going to make a paper labyrinth this week! What is a labyrinth? Labyrinths are like a maze, often big enough for us to walk around. They are made to help us stay focused during our prayers. Prayer becomes like a journey around the labyrinth. When they are ones we can walk through, people walk slowly around them, praying all the while they walk. It is a meditative time where we can listen to God and pray to him. We are going to make one out of paper plates and paint!

In your box you will find paper plates and puff paint. The first thing you will do is take a pencil and draw the labyrinth maze on your plate. You can look at your welcome sheet for an example. It is just like a maze you would walk through. Once you have the maze just as you want it, it is time for the paint! Take your paint and trace the maze with it. You will want a nice thick line of paint. Do not touch the paint until it dries. Once it is dry there will be a raised surface of paint. This is your own prayer labyrinth. When you pray this week try to take your labyrinth out and run your finger along the line of paint. Do so slowly and as you do, try to just breathe in and out and listen for God. Take time as well to talk to God, praying to God in the ways we learned last week. This is your special time to talk to God.

## PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for wanting to talk to us. Thank you for the story of Samuel that shows us that you do, in fact, talk to us. Help us to hear your voice Lord. We love you. Amen.



# "DEAR FATHER in HEAVEN..."

## DEVOTION

Prayer is something that everyone can do whenever they want to! Jesus prayed all the time when he was here on earth. We hear about Jesus praying in gardens, along the mountainside, in a boat, with others and by himself! Jesus also took time to teach us a very special prayer. Let's read about it!

## BIBLE STORY

"The Lord's Prayer can be found in the Spark Story Bible on page 278 or you can find it in Matthew 6:5-15 in any Bible.

## FINAL THOUGHT

Jesus taught his friends this special prayer called The Lord's Prayer. If you go to church you will most likely hear this prayer in the service. It is a prayer that talks about how holy God is, asks God to be with us here and help keep us from harm and from making bad decisions. It also asks for God to forgive us for the wrongs we have done and help us forgive others. The prayer ends giving God the glory and praise, saying, "Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen." This is a special prayer because it is the prayer that Jesus taught us. It is important for us to try to learn this prayer and pray it often. We have other things that we say that we have memorized right? What are some of those things? Do you have songs memorized? Other prayers? What about something we sing to our friends and family when it is the day they were born?

What's that called? The Happy Birthday Song right? We take time to remember and recite things that are important to us. This prayer is one of those things! Do you think you can try to memorize it?

## FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are more prayers or saying that you have memorized?
2. Why do you think Jesus taught us this prayer?  
*Sometimes it can be hard to know what to say when we pray. Jesus taught us a prayer that help us know what to say. Jesus prayed this prayer and asks us to as well!*
3. When could you take time out of your day to say this prayer? Is there a time that would be best? Try to decide on a time and then try to do it!

## ACTIVITY - LORDS PRAYER POSTER

To help us remember this special prayer, we have in your box a poster for you to fill out and color. The poster is all about this prayer. You can fill it out with your family, color it and hang it up somewhere special where you will see it! Why is this prayer so important to remember? Because it was the one prayer that Jesus taught us! Let's get to it!

## PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for Jesus. Thank you that Jesus came and showed us how to live and how to pray. Help us to learn this special prayer and pray it every day. We love you so much. Amen.