



# 25 Scriptures to Pray For Your Family

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Prayer in and of itself is powerful. When you combine it with Scripture, well, let's just say you should be prepared to see some mighty things happen.

## Why Praying Scripture is Important

It is very important to pray for your family and for each family member, because right now our families are under attack. Satan is seeking to destroy the family unit, and we are constantly bombarded with the world's views of what a family can look like, so that we can easily lose sight of how God intended our families to be. God created our families to be a holy unit, one in which He is priority, in which the husband and wife lovingly live out their God-given roles in marriage, and the children are obedient to their parents. Once we get our own families in alignment with God's desired order for families, all founded on loving one another as Christ loved us, I think we'll see God do mighty things in our churches, in our nation, and around the world. But it starts with us, in our own homes and within our own families.

## Why Praying Scripture is Powerful

- God gave us His word and He wants us to pray. When you combine the two spiritual disciplines of reading the Word and prayer by praying Scripture, it will help you apply God's word to your life while growing deeper in your prayer life.
- Praying Scripture honors God by using His own words to praise Him and pray to Him.
- We tend to pray for things WE want, but praying Scripture will help align your desires with what HE wants. And when our desires are aligned, that's when we're most likely to see God move powerfully in our prayers.

You can personalize the Scriptures while you pray them with the specific things your family needs in that area. You may even want to consider focusing on only one Scripture to pray each day, making it a month long praying Scripture challenge.

1. Pray that your family would always be submitted to God, that God would be its chief builder and protector. "Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain." Psalm 127:1

2. Pray that every member of your family would find salvation and grow in their faith. "Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:6-7
3. Pray that your family would be united in your dedicated to serve the Lord. "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Joshua 24:15
4. Pray that your family would value God as priority in your lives and conversations. "These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up." Deuteronomy 6:6-7
5. Pray for protection for every member of your family. "If you make the Most High your dwelling—even the LORD who is my refuge—then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone." Psalm 91:9-12
6. Pray for your marriage, a holy covenant to be treasured and nurtured. "God made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore, what God has joined together, let no man separate." Mark 10:6-9
7. Pray that you and your spouse would grow in unity. "I will give them singleness of heart and action, so that they will always fear me for their own good, and the good of their children and grandchildren." Jeremiah 32:39
8. Pray that you and your spouse would embrace your God-given role in your marriage and fulfil them with a heart of love toward one another. "Wives, submit to your husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church...Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy..." Ephesians 5:22-28
9. Pray that regardless of what challenging life circumstances you are facing, you will face them together with your spouse. "Then Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried." Ruth 2:18
10. Pray that as parents you would wisely love, teach and train your children. "Do not exasperate your children, instead bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4
11. Pray that as parents you would surrender your children/grandchildren to God and that you would let Him direct your steps as parents. Thank Him for His great love for you and your

children. "He tends his flock like a shepherd; he gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those who have young." Isaiah 40:11

12. Pray that your children would grow as Jesus did, "in wisdom and in stature, and in favor of God and man." Luke 2:52
13. Pray that every member of your family would experience health. "I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well." 3 John 1:2
14. Pray that when there is anger among family members that the conflict can be resolved quickly and in a healthy manner. "In your anger do not sin. Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold." Ephesians 4:26-27
15. Pray that each member of your family would grow in every fruit of the spirit. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control." Galatians 5:22
16. Pray that each member of your family would grow in love toward one another. "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking. It is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails." 1 Corinthians 13:4-8
17. Pray that each family member would be kind and forgiving toward one another. "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as Christ forgave you." Ephesians 4:31-32
18. Pray that each member of your family would grow in godly wisdom and understanding, "turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding—indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God." Proverbs 2:2-5
19. Pray that your family would be devout and generous, like Cornelius. "He and all his family were devout and God-fearing; they gave generously to those in need and prayed to God regularly." Acts 10:2
20. Pray that each member of your family would be surrounded by good, godly friends. "There are 'friends' who destroy each other, but a real friend sticks closer than a brother." Proverbs 18:24
21. Pray that your family would be thankful for all your blessings, "always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 5:20

22. Pray for each member of your family's minds. "Finally brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about such things." Philippians 4:8
23. Pray that your family would speak life-giving words to one another. "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver." Proverbs 25:11
24. Pray that each family member would treat each other with godly love. "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but to the interests of others." Philippians 2:3-4
25. Pray that your home and each member of your family would be filled with peace. "The fruit of righteousness will be peace; the effect of righteousness will be quietness and confidence forever. My people will live in peaceful dwelling places; in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest." Isaiah 32:17-18
26. Pray that your family would flourish in their faith and in life. "He is like a tree planted by streams of water which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers." Psalm 1:3
27. Pray that your family would be blessed. "The LORD bless you and keep you, the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26

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