

Prayer is just simply communication with our creator right? So why not let his anointing flow through us to affect change in our children's lives. Jeremiah 1:12 says, "I am ready to perform my word." Praying His Word reminds us of what he promises and what he desires to do in and through our children. I often feel the peace of God wash over me when I pray in agreement with the maker of our universe. Of course, I have assurance that I am praying according to His Will when I am simply praying His word. After all if He is for us, who can be against us? When He is mine and I am His, it's a fulfilling two way street.

Let me show you what I am thinking. Take Jeremiah 1:12 for example. You an insert your child's name like this: Lord you say you are ready to perform your word. Would you perform your word in _____. I believe that you will work all things together for good in _____'s life. He loves you and is called according to your purposes. Lord, would you help him with his struggles and use them all for good in his life. (See, you are participating actively in your child's destiny. You are proclaiming the truth of His word and joining with God in what He already is doing.) You know that God uses the saints. Abraham was able to change God's mind about Sodom and Gomorrah. He asked and God softened. I love asking and I love knowing I'm agreeing with God.

Here are a few scriptures for you to try. It's not a formula, but His word is truth: it is living and active and sharper than any two edged sword . So ladies, pick up your sword and let's wield it for our children's sake.

Proverbs 3:5-6 Lord, I trust in You with all my heart for _____. I will not lean on my own understanding about his/her future. In all my ways I acknowledge you and I know that you will direct my path.

Proverbs 1:7 Lord you say that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction. I ask you Lord for wisdom Lord to teach my children. I fear you and I believe in you. Help me to never despise instruction and to teach my children to honor instruction. Remember, you can insert you own name or your children's names. You can speak things that you have hope for and thank God in advance.

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Parent's Prayer: (based on Proverbs 29:18, Where there is no vision, the people perish.

Heavenly father,

We come before you today to praise you, and thank you for all that you have done for us! We thank you that you are a God of order and direction. We thank

you that you have a plan for our lives and _____'s life. We thank you too that you desire to give us vision. We ask that you would pour out your vision for us in a powerful way. We desire to walk in your plan and purposes, and we ask that you would clearly speak to us regarding your direction for our lives. We thank you in advance that you will give us the wisdom to walk in the vision you give us. Lord, we also ask that you would give us understanding on what we need to do to see your plan's for _____'s life manifested. In Jesus' name,

Amen

Blessings to all of you as you see God working in and around you.

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(With special thanks to Betsy Waters for help in choosing the scriptures.)

October Prayer Points:

This month I believe that it would be good just to declare that God is good and that he cares about our children and the outcomes of their lives. My husband is always reminding me that it's not over yet and that everything is going to be O.K. We often get discouraged because we look at today. Listen to the truth of Psalm 100. I am praying this out loud today: it reminds me that God is faithful through the ages.

Psalm 100:

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

I like to insert my kid's names in there and say it as a proclamation, like this:

Lord, I shout for joy to you. I worship you with gladness. I come before you with joyful songs. I know that you are God. You made me and my kids. We are yours. We are the sheep of your pasture. Thank you for shepherding us.

I enter your gates with thanksgiving and your courts with praise. I give you thanks and praise your name. You are good and your love endures forever; your faithfulness continues through all generation even to my children. I then continue on like this:

I am so thankful that you are faithful to my children. I believe that you will help them with their struggles and that you will help me to parent them. You are good! Hope this encourages your heart! The truth always works better than discouragement and lies doesn't it!