

Suggestions to Pray for Different Stages of Life

For **Infants**, pray they will:

1. Develop a strong sense of security as they bond with their family.
2. Feel safe and secure in their surroundings.
3. Grow physically strong and mentally alert.
4. Begin to lay a healthy foundation for good communication.
5. Begin to develop a healthy attachment to their family members.

For **Toddlers**, pray they will:

1. Develop a healthy self-image.
2. Develop a sense of independence.
3. Develop a sense of obedience to their parents.
4. Be willing to try new, unfamiliar experiences.
5. Feel secure apart from parents (i.e. caregivers).
6. Learn to play independently.

For **Preschooler-age**, pray they will:

1. Develop a well-balanced personality.
2. Learn problem resolution skills.
3. Play well with others.
4. Learn to obey quickly, and to respect authority.
5. Explore and create without fear of failure.
6. Develop a soft heart towards Jesus.
7. Develop confidence and independence.
8. Learn to control their emotions and anger.
9. Develop an awareness of God's love for them.
10. Build positive friendships.

For **Elementary-age**, pray they will:

1. Discover their God-given gifts and talents.
2. Develop a sense of satisfaction and enjoyment using their skills.
3. Be motivated, disciplined, and challenged in their learning experiences.
4. Treat others with respect.
5. Stand firm for what is right and refuse the wrong with a positive attitude.
6. Choose friendships wisely.
7. Obey their parents.
8. Understand their need for a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
9. Develop a strong and healthy self-esteem and self-confidence.
10. Have a safe, healthy classroom environment.
11. Be protected from the deception of the enemy.
12. Develop a hunger for God's Word.

For **Teenagers**, pray they will:

1. Be motivated, disciplined and challenged to apply themselves and excel in their academic studies.
2. Experience the reality of Jesus Christ in their lives, as they grow strong in their faith.
3. Recognize the deception of the world.
4. Be covered with God's safe keeping physically, spiritually, and emotionally.
5. Date wisely (which leads to a spouse for a lifetime).
6. Be sexually pure.
7. Have open communication and a good relationship with parents.
8. Choose friends who will have a positive influence.
9. Grow spiritually with a hunger for God's Word.
10. Have a balanced view of their beauty, charm, and strength.

For **College/Young Adults**, pray they will:

1. Be motivated, disciplined and challenged to apply themselves in their studies to excel academically, if they are in college.
2. Seek God's wisdom and direction in their management of time, money, and talents.
3. Think creatively and live with integrity.
4. Recognize their gifts so they can find their God-given assignment.
5. Provide the resources to fulfill their God-given assignment.
6. Find a spouse with a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.
7. Be sexually pure.
8. Be willing to accept responsibility, and make wise financial decisions.
9. Have open communication and a good relationship with parents.

For **Married**, pray they will:

1. Understand how incredibly great God's power is to help, if they ask Him.
2. Establish spiritual disciplines as part of their lives.
3. Read God's Word and pray together regularly as a couple.
4. Seek God's guidance in the management of their time, money, and careers.
5. Develop open and honest communication with their spouse.
6. Grasp the importance of saying, "I'm sorry" and "I forgive you."
7. Understand there is no such thing as too many hugs.
8. Honor their parents.
9. Be united in spirit and intent on one purpose.
10. Be able to firmly stand against anything that might threaten their marriage.
11. Be able to establish a stable, loving Christian home for their family.
12. Recognize the deception and peer pressure of the world.



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