

A prayer for my grandchildren



G IS FOR GRACE

Lord, I pray for each of my grandchildren by name. Lavish Your grace upon them. All worldly success will be for naught if they never possess a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Reveal Yourself to them through Your written Word, through the glories of Your creation, and through the proclamation of the gospel. In loving kindness, draw them near to repentance and mature them in their faith, conforming them to the blessed image of Your dear Son.

Philemon 1:3-4 / Eph. 1:7-8 / Mark 8:36 / 2 Tim. 3:15-17 / Psalm 19:1-2 / Rom. 10:14 / 2 Cor. 7:9-10

R IS FOR RELATIONSHIPS

Watch over each grandchild's relationships, God. Grant their parents wisdom and endurance as they train up their children. Help them love their family well. Provide good teachers who'll challenge, inspire, and stir up in them a deep thirst for knowledge and truth. Protect my grandchildren from evil influences. Send godly friends who will build them up and point them to Jesus. Teach them to be kind, compassionate, and encouraging to others as well.

James 1:5 / Isaiah 40:29 / John 13:34-35 / Luke 6:40 / Prov. 5:1-2; 6:22, 22:6 / 2 Tim. 2:22 / 1 Thess. 5:11

A IS FOR APPETITES

Lord, this world offers an endless array of junk - some of it pure poison. Cultivate in my grandchildren a taste for wholesome fare. Guard them against addiction to anything that would be detrimental to their physical, mental, or emotional health. Help them make wise choices. Teach them to hunger and thirst after righteousness. Nourish them with physical and spiritual food that will help them grow in wisdom, in stature, and in favor with God and man.

1 John 2:16-17 / Rom. 3:13 / Psalm 34:8 / Titus 3:3-5 / Prov. 2:10-11 / Matt. 5:6 / John 4:32-34 / Luke 2:52

N IS FOR NEEDS

God, help my grandchildren look to You to supply all their needs according to Your riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Feed them with the bread that is their portion, so they'll have neither too much and deny You nor too little and dishonor You. Instead, develop in them a heart of contentment. Teach them perseverance. Finish in them the work you began, so they will be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

Philippians 4:19 / Prov. 30:8-9 / Matt. 6:11 / 1 Timothy 6:6 / James 1:4 / Philippians 4:11-12 / Psalm 23:1

D IS FOR DISCERNMENT

Grant my grandchildren a spirit of discernment, Lord. Keep them humble and teachable, yet wise beyond their years. Teach them to trust in You with all of their hearts, rather than pridefully learning on their own understanding. Do not let them walk in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stand in the way of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scorners, but may they delight, instead, in Your precious Word and weigh everything they hear against its unchanging truth.

Rom. 12:2 / Psalm 25:9-10 / Psalm 119:98-100 / Prov. 3:5 / Psalm 1:1-2 / Prov. 1:5 / Acts 17:11 / Heb. 4:12

S IS FOR SAFETY

Father, protect my grandchildren from harm. Stand watch over them. May they lie down and sleep in peace, knowing that You alone make them dwell in safety. Do not allow them to adopt a spirit of timidity or fear, but make them strong in spirit. Help them to boldly speak the truth in love, demonstrating a sound mind, exercising self-control, freely forgiving offenders, praying for those who malign or mistreat them, and extending grace to all.

Psalm 121:7 / Psalm 127:1 / Psalm 4:8 / 2 Timothy 1:7 / Eph. 6:10 / Eph. 4:15, 32 / Luke 6:27-28 / Rom. 12:14