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## 成为祷告的父母

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于不是在基督徒原生家庭长大的我来说,虽然因着认识耶稣基督,开始了读经祷告,但是, 天天祷告,事事祷告,人前人后一样祷告,却不是一件容易的事情。 关于祷告,耶利米书第 29 章 12 节是这样讲的,"你们要呼求我,祷告我,我就应允你们"。诗篇第 145 章 18 节也说,"凡求告耶和华的,就是诚心求告他的,耶和华便与他们亲近"。所以,在信主之后,我一直有意识地学习祷告,练习祷告。可是,坦白地说,进步是缓慢的,时断时续的,直到小孩子开始上学前班。

美妙的是,我那时常高傲的心多了一些谦卑,更加乐意祷告了。万事真是互相效力!身为一位基督徒母亲,我深知自己的有限和局限,更加明白在当下这个时代里,教导儿女不是一件简单的事情。藉着为儿女的各方面祷告,为她们的敬虔和顺服祷告,我真真切切地感受到祷告是神赐给我们的权柄,大声向他呼求祷告是多么有福气的一件事情。同时,藉着带领和教导孩子们祷告,我也亲身经历了我们的天上的父,是怎样看顾他的产业的。像在马太福音7:11里说的,"你们虽然不好,尚且知道拿好东西给儿女,何况你们在天上的父,岂不更把好东西给求的人吗"?

在 教导孩子祷告的路上,我就像一个蹒跚学步的小孩,刚刚学会自己走路,十分 得欢欣雀跃,非常高兴与大家分享。愿所有的基督徒父母都因着单纯的信去大

声地呼求祷告,又因着美好的信,照着神的意思去照顾他交托的产业,到那一天,当孩子们取得荣誉的时候,第一时间大声赞美神,遭遇困难的时候,第一时间呼求依靠神。憧憬着这些,不禁要高喊,*哈利路亚!* 





#### 祷告神

- ◆ 愿我的孩子们充满 圣灵所带来的喜乐
- ◆ 授予我的孩子可以 学习责任,因为每 个人都应该承担自 己的责任

#### 帮助孩子学以致用

帮助你的孩子将主日学 学习的圣经知识运用到 每日的生活中。

- ◆ 告诉别人关于耶稣
- ◆ 告诉别人耶稣为祂所 做的事。
- ◆ 神希望人们参与祂在 世界各地的工作。
- ◆ 神使用教会来完成祂 在世界上的目的。



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## Be a Praying Parents

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rowing up in a non-Christian family, even though I started to study Bible and pray after I believed in Jesus Christ, it is not easy to pray every day, for everything and pray no matter in private or in public. About prayer, Jeremiah 29:12 said, "Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you." and also in Psalms 145:18 "The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth." Therefore, I have been consciously learning how to pray and practice prayer since. However, honestly speaking, progress is slow, on and off, until children started going to school.

hy would I say this? When my children reaching the stage on observing surrounding, starting to speak, they started to unwilling praying in a restaurant, also asked me to help on praying before bedtime. At this point, I started to think: Do they not know how to pray? No. Are they not willing to pray? No. The Lord's word came to my mind, "These commandments that I give you today are to be on 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) If we as parents don't follow the commandments with all our heart, with all our soul and with all our strength, how can we teach our children to do the same? Didn't Jesus demonstrate how to love another, how to obey and how to pray before He commanded disciples to do the same? Therefore, we started to insist on praying before meal, both in restaurant or home; I also started to encourage my children to pray with me before bedtime, sometimes takes turn to pray, sometimes pray separately; I encourage them to pray and praise when encounter good things, I pray along with them when encountering difficulties; I would encourage them pray loud, pray for each other when they are willing, I teach them to pray quietly when they are embarrassed. Since then, they changed slowly. From not get used to become reminding each other, from not feeling comfortable to for granted, these are done in the will of God with the obedience of the parents.

ore wonderful thing is that I am more willing to pray with a humble heart than before. All things God works for the good! As a Christian mother, I understand my limitation, more aware to the present eras, teaching children is not a simple task. Through praying for children, on their godliness and obedience, I truly feel that God gives us the power of prayer, it is a blessing for us able to pray to Him. At the same time, through leading and teaching children to pray, I can personally experience our Father in Heaven, how He takes care of His heritage. Just like mentioned in Matthew 7:11, "If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"

In the journey on teaching children to pray, I am just like a little child who is learning to walk, when able to start walking by myself, I am so excited and want to share this happiness with everyone. Wish all Christian parents are willing to pray boldly with this simple faith, also based on this faith to take care His heritage like His commanded us. Until the time when children praise to the Lord when they are en-



countering goodness, calling and depend on God when they are encountering difficult time. Looking forward to these, cannot help but shout out: Hallelujah!



#### Pray to God

- May my children be filled with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.
- Grant that my children may learn responsibility, for each one should carry his own load.

# Learn & Action



Help your kid applies their biblical learning from Sunday School to their daily life.

- Tell others about
   Jesus
- Tell others what Jesus had done for them
- God wants people to be involved in His work around the world.
- God uses the church to accomplish His purpose in the world.

#### 如何带领小孩子祷告?

Greg Asimakoupoulos,他是一位作家,有三个女儿,他使用的方式相当实际。他建议父母亲不妨用孩子们最熟悉的四句话,从四方面来向神祷告说话:

- 1. 主耶稣, 我爱你(敬拜)
- 2. 对不起(认罪)
- 3. 谢谢(感恩)
- 4. 请(祈求)

教导孩子, 当祷告说"主耶稣, 我爱你"时, 可以向神说:

- 1.主耶稣,我爱你,你代替我受罚,被钉在十字架上。
- 2. 主耶稣, 我爱你, 天天与我同在, 使我不孤单。
- 3. 主耶稣, 我爱你, 保守带领我们生活中的每一件事, 又透过圣经教导我, 使我一生有意义, 有方向。
- 4.主耶稣,我爱你,你为我们创造了奇妙美好的世界。

若孩子在祷告中包括了上述四方面的内容,祷告就会很丰富,有意义。有内容的祷告也会使孩子在信仰上有真正的成长。

作者: 李哈拿 转载于基督时报

应当一无罣虑、只要凡事借着祷告、祈求、和感谢、将你们所要的告诉神。

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

腓 4:6 / Philippians 4:6

#### How to lead a child to pray?

Greg Asimakoupoulos, he is a writer, has three daughters, he uses very practical way. He suggested parents should use four verses that are very familiar to the kids, and lead their prayer to include these four aspects:

- 1. Jesus, I love You (Adoration)
- 2. Sorry (Confession)
- 3. Thank You (Thanksgiving)
- 4. Please (Supplication)

Teach your child, when praying "Jesus, I love You", can pray to God:

- 1. Jesus, I love You, for You have took my punishment, and nailed on the cross for me.
- 2. Jesus, I love You, for You are with me everyday, I'm never alone.
- 3. Jesus, I love You, for You have guide and protect us daily in every situation, Your Word teaches us, leads us into the right direction, and gives us a meaningful life.
- 4. Jesus, I love You, You have created this wonderful world for us.

If your child's prayer includes these four aspects, prayer will be very rich and meaningful. Meaningful prayer contents will help the child truly grow in faith.

#### Parents,

Choose an activity from below to do with your kids and then mark out the activity box once you are done. Mark out five activities in a row, column, or diagonally to get BINGO.

Summer Reading —BINGO——				
read to a stuffed animal	read with a friend	read a fairy or folk tale	read for 20 minutes	read out loud
read in a blanket fort	read for 60 minutes	read in the dark with a flashlight		read a non-fiction book
read while eating ice cream	read outside	FREE CHOICE!	read for 30 minutes	read in your pajamas
read to a sibling	read a book about animals	read for 10 minutes	read a magazine	read under the table
read for 40 minutes	read a favorite book	read on a rainy day	read a mystery book	read in your swimsuit





## Sun

## Mon

## Tue

### Wed

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## Fri

## Sat

Every Sunday—Children Ministry
• 9:30- 11:00 am

 9:30- 11:00 am Worship: Pre II- 1st 2nd--5th Sunday school • <u>11:15-12:30 pm</u> Worship: 2nd —5th.

Pre II-1st: Sunday school

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Ministry
9:30 am

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