Scriptures to Pray Over Preschoolers

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That they would come to know the Lord

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. - Psalm 36:7

God looks down from heaven on the children of man to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God. - Psalm 53:2

In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge. - Proverbs 14:26

<u>That God's Word would have an impact on their lives</u> Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. -Psalm 34:11

Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man. - Psalm 66:5

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth. -3 John 1:4

Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. -1 John 3:18

Your hands have made and fashioned me; give me understanding that I may learn your commandments. - Psalm 119:73

That their parents would be following the Lord

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. - Ephesians 6:4

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That they would feel loved and valued

but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8

12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, 13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. - Colossians 3:12-14

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. - 1 Peter 4:8

That they would show love and respect to those near them

Even a child makes himself known by his acts, by whether his conduct is pure and upright. - Proverbs 20:11

1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. - Ephesians 5:1-2

37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.
38 This is the great and first commandment.
39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. - Matthew 22:37-39

Foundational Truths to Pray with Preschoolers

1. God is trustworthy. He always keeps his promises.

Thank you God, that you always keep your promises. Help me to trust you, God. Thank you, God, for how you kept your promises to (Noah). Help me to know that I can trust you too.

2. God is good. God is holy, awesome, righteous and loving. He provides help in provision in times of trouble.

Thank you, God, that you always take care of me. Help me to show love to others as you always show love to me. God, you are so awesome and wonderful. God, take care of me, just like you took care of (David). God, you are such a good God! Thank you that you give us good gifts.

3. God is great. He is all powerful. He is a perfection that cannot be improved upon.

God, you are mighty and powerful! There is no one like you, God. God never changes! God, thank you that you have power over all things. Even the wind and waves obey you.

4. God is glorious. He is worthy of worship. We should see, savor, and celebrate Him.

God, you are worthy of worship. We praise you. God, you are wonderful.

5. God is sovereign. He is in control of all things. Nothing surprises God.

God, thank you that you have good plans for my life. God, thank you that nothing ever surprises you. I can trust you. Thank you for the plans you had for (Ruth). And thank you for the plans you have for me, too. Thank you that you are in control of all things.

A Liturgy for Preschool Teachers Based on Ephesians 6:10-20

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The Whole Armor of God

[10] Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. [11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. [12] For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. [13] Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. [14] Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, [15] and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. [16] In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; [17] and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, [18] praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, [19] and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, [20] for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Lord,

Help me to put on the full armor of God every day, so that I can stand firm in this place that you have placed me.

Help me put on the belt of truth to always speak the truth in love to my students.

May I put on the breastplate of righteousness that I might have a right standing before God and show a godly character to the children I interact with.

Let me put on shoes made ready by the gospel of peace that I can be a peacemaker among both children and coworkers.

Help me to take up the shield of faith to put out the darts of frustration, exhaustion, and annoyance that threaten me from the evil one.

May I keep on the helmet of my salvation as my constant reminder of who I am in Christ

And let the Sword of the Spirit, as my only offensive weapon, be the first and most important thing that I share with my class. And may it be something I am actively sharpening in my own life.

Lastly, help me remember to bathe everything in prayer.

Amen

Verses on Prayer

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Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do 1 pray. - Psalm 5:2

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. - Romans 12:12

6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:6-7

Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. -Colossians 4:2

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, -1 Timothy 2:1

4 I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers,
5 because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints,
6 and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. Philemon 1:4-6