

PRAYING FOR YOUR GRANDKIDS

EPISODE 3: WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR OUR GRANDKIDS?

look back

First, **LOOK BACK** at the past week by asking, “How did we do?” Begin with prayer, then check in with one another—sharing honestly, celebrating victories, acknowledging struggles, and graciously offering practical help.

 **PRAYER** - Begin with prayer, inviting Jesus into the conversation.

Then discuss last week’s assignment:

- Were you able to use the **Lord’s Pattern Prayer** as a guide for praying for your grandchildren?
- What changed in your prayer life as you moved through the Lord’s Pattern Prayer?
- Did you ask a grandchild or NextGen loved one, “**What can I pray for you?**” What did you learn by asking?

look up

Next, **LOOK UP** to God’s Word by asking, “What does Jesus want us to know?” If you haven’t already, watch this week’s video: “*What Do We Pray for Our Grandkids?*” Then use the summary, questions, and Scriptures below to draw out the main truths together.

 **WATCH: Episode 3: What Do We Pray for Our Grandkids?**

Episode Summary

There are countless things we can pray for our grandchildren—their health, safety, happiness, success, relationships, and future. But some things matter even more. We should pray faithfully for their salvation and spiritual growth, protection from the evil one, their parents and family relationships, and the development of Christlike character. Whatever else we bring before God, these four priorities help keep our prayers focused on what matters most.

Pray that your grandkids will stand strong in Christ and become overcomers.

HOW TO USE THESE RESOURCES

Whether you’re studying on your own or with a group, each guide follows a simple yet powerful rhythm: **Look Back / Look Up / Look Forward**. For group leaders, additional instructions for leading a small group are included at the end of the first workbook in each series.

ABOUT THIS STUDY

Prayer is one of the most powerful ways grandparents can influence the lives of their grandchildren. This four-part series explores why prayer is critical, how we can pray, what we should pray for, and when to pray. Together, we’ll learn to entrust our grandchildren to God, pray for them with greater purpose and confidence, and make prayer a regular part of our spiritual influence in their lives.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. When you pray for your grandchildren, how closely do your prayers reflect the four priorities in this episode?
2. Which of these four prayer priorities have you most neglected?
3. Why can’t we assume that a child or grandchild who has grown up around Christianity will continue to follow Jesus?
4. Why might praying for your adult children, their marriages, and their parenting be one of the most important ways you can pray for your grandchildren?
5. What Christlike character qualities do you most want to see developed in your grandchildren?

Episode Notes

1. Pray for salvation and spiritual growth.

- Nothing matters more than the spiritual lives of our children and grandchildren.
 - Pray for those who do not know Christ and for believers to remain faithful.
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2. Pray for protection from the evil one.

- Spiritual opposition is real, but Satan is no match for Jesus.
 - Pray for God to protect, equip, and strengthen your grandchildren.
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3. Pray for parents and family relationships.

- Parents and their marriages profoundly shape the lives of our grandchildren.
 - Pray for strong, faithful, Christ-centered homes.
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4. Pray with trust.

- Pray for Christlike character that will prepare your grandchildren for whatever lies ahead.
 - Ask God to make them strong, faithful overcomers.
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WHAT DOES GOD'S WORD SAY?

KEY SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:26 - “What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?” Our grandchildren’s happiness, success, and security matter, but nothing is more important than their relationship with Jesus. Their spiritual lives should remain at the heart of our prayers.

SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE

Luke 22:31–32 - “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.” Jesus responded to Simon Peter’s coming spiritual struggle with intercession. His example reminds us to pray faithfully for our grandchildren when they face temptation, failure, and spiritual opposition.



Finally, **LOOK FORWARD** by asking, “What does Jesus want us to do?” Commit to practical steps for living out this week’s lesson. Review the assignment, share commitments with the group, pray for one another, and move forward together in faith and hope.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

1 Peter 5:8
1 John 4:4
Ephesians 6:12

THIS EPISODE’S ASSIGNMENT

This week, create a simple **four-part prayer list** for your grandchildren and NextGen loved ones.

Write down each person’s name and pray specifically for them in these four areas:

Salvation and Spiritual Growth — Pray that they will know Jesus, grow in faith, and remain faithful to Him.

Protection from the Evil One — Pray for protection from temptation, deception, and spiritual attack.

Parents and Family Relationships — Pray for their parents, marriages, parenting, and the health of their home.

Character Development — Choose specific Christlike qualities they need and pray for God to develop those virtues in their lives.

Keep the list somewhere you will see it and use it throughout the week. As you pray for Christlike character in your grandchildren, consider whether God is calling you to cultivate those same qualities more deeply in your own life.

PERSONAL GROWTH COMMITMENTS



- What has God laid on my heart?
- What is the Holy Spirit leading me to change?
- What will I do in my own life, in my relationships, and to reach NextGen loved ones?

SHARE WITH THE GROUP



Encourage sharing commitments, prayer needs, and real-life stories. Close in prayer, asking God to draw your grandchildren to Jesus, protect them, strengthen their families, and shape their character.



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