

PRAYING FOR YOUR GRANDKIDS

EPISODE 2: HOW 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.

Follow Up on Last Episode's Assignment

- Were you able to identify specific concerns or burdens you have been carrying for your grandchildren?
- What happened when you intentionally turned those concerns into prayer rather than worry or attempts to control the outcome?
- Did entrusting those concerns to God change the way you carried them during the week?

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: “*How Do We Pray for Our Grandkids?*” Then use the summary, questions, and Scriptures below to draw out the main truths together.

 **WATCH: Episode 2: How Do We Pray for Our Grandkids?**

Episode Summary

Effective prayer is more than turning to God when a crisis strikes. Jesus gives us a pattern for intentional prayer that can shape the way we intercede for our grandchildren every day. We can pray specifically through the Lord's Pattern Prayer, ground our requests in God's Word and His will, approach Him boldly as His children, and trust Him with the outcome. Our responsibility is to ask faithfully and fervently; God's role is to answer according to His good will and timing.

Ask God boldly for the good things you want for your kids and grandkids.

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. Would you describe most of your prayers for your grandchildren as reactive or proactive? What might help you become more intentional?
2. How does thinking of the Lord's Prayer as a pattern for prayer, rather than simply words to recite, change the way you might use it when praying for your grandchildren?
3. Which part of the Lord's Pattern Prayer most stretches or encourages you as you think about praying for your grandchildren?
4. What is the difference between praying boldly for what you desire and trying to manipulate God toward the outcome you want?
5. How can trusting God's timing and will help you continue praying when an answer seems slow in coming?

Episode Notes

1. Pray fervently and effectively

- Move from reactive, crisis-driven prayer to intentional, passionate prayer.
 - Our prayers are accepted because of the righteousness of Jesus.
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2. Follow the Lord's Pattern Prayer

- Use the Lord's Prayer as a pattern, not simply a recitation.
 - Personalize its themes as you pray specifically for your grandchildren.
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3. Pray according to God's will

- Pray the scriptural promises of God for your grandchildren.
 - Trust that God knows what they need and what is best.
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4. Pray boldly

- Approach God confidently as His child.
 - Ask Him for the good things you desire for your grandchildren.
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5. Pray with trust

- Our part is to ask; God's part is to answer.
 - Trust His will and His timing.
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WHAT DOES GOD'S WORD SAY?

KEY SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:9–13 - “This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.” Jesus gives us a pattern for prayer that begins with who God is and extends to His Kingdom, our daily needs, forgiveness, relationships, temptation, and spiritual protection.

SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 4:16 - “Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.” Because we belong to God through Christ, we can approach Him confidently with the needs and concerns we carry for our grandchildren.



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

Matthew 7:9–11
2 Peter 3:9
James 1:6
1 Peter 5:8

THIS EPISODE’S ASSIGNMENT

This week, use the **Lord’s Pattern Prayer** to intentionally pray for your grandchildren.

Choose one grandchild or NextGen loved one each day and slowly work through the prayer phrase by phrase:

- **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name:** Begin by remembering who God is and thanking Him for His love and care.
- **Your kingdom come, your will be done:** Pray that Jesus will rule in this person’s heart and life and for God’s to be accomplished.
- **Give us today our daily bread:** Pray specifically for the physical needs they are facing right now.
- **Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors:** Pray for conviction, forgiveness, reconciliation, and healthy relationships.
- **Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one:** Pray for protection from temptation, deception, and spiritual danger.

At least once this week, **reach out to a grandchild or NextGen loved one and ask, “What can I pray for you?”** Add their answer to your prayers rather than assuming you already know what they need.

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 help you pray boldly according to His Word and trust His goodness.



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