



RHYTHMS | Nov 26, 2021

KNOWLEDGE NUGGETS

Prayer- It's one thing young kids can relate to. The ability to talk is one of those developmental hurdles most kids jump right over and never look back. It is something they can master at a young age. And they understand very early on that using words is a great way to communicate. So, when we introduced to the idea that "you can even talk to God, the Creator of this universe" it is something that kids can easily relate to. If you want to raise kids that pray, then begin training them at an early age - pray with them, pray for them, have them pray quietly, have them pray out loud, ask them to pray for you, ask them to pray for those sick in your family, have them pray when you eat, when they are about to go to bed and when you hear a siren. Prayer is foundational for kids.

God is Relational and so are we — Help Kids to See God as an individual who wants a relationship with them. It is important for us to show our kids what it is like to have a relationship with our great God. We need our own time with God, our own time reading His Word, our own time singing His praise, and our own time of pray - allowing our kids to see what it is to spend time trying to love our great God back.

Servicing others (for the glory of God) is one of the key factors that helps kids retain their faith after they have left the home! Let that sink in! I believe that God has put it in our very souls- the desire to serve one another. And when we as parents give our kids opportunities to serve whether it is at home alongside of you or at Church with others, we are going a long way to help kids make their faith their own. Service helps kids put "legs" on their faith.

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR KIDS

- Can you believe that the God who created all of this, loves it when you talk to Him? Why do you think He cares so much?
- What's your favorite story that you have heard from the Bible? Do you want to know mine?
- What are some things do you think we could do to help the lady down the street or your friend at school?

PRAY OVER THEM

From Proverbs 3: Father, help (kiddo's name) to not forget your teachings, and help him/her to keep them in his heart for the rest of his life. And help him/her to see that your Word brings peace and prosperity. Fill him/her with love and faithfulness, tie them to his soul, and help him see that these have helped him to gain your favor. And Lord, help (kiddo's name) to trust you with all his/her heart and not rely on his own understanding, teach him/her to run to you no matter what happens and help him/her to see how your presence changes everything. In Jesus' name, Amen.