



"TEACHING KIDS TO KNOW GOD, NOT JUST ABOUT HIM!"

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Title : Why Pray?

Key Point: I can talk to God.

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Welcome

Today we want the children to understand that Jesus taught us how important it is to pray to God. We want the children to gain an understanding of the things they can pray for, for example, problems at school, family members and things they need help with. We also want them to see that prayer is an important part of how we praise God and give thanks to Him.



Main Lesson

Why Pray ?

Matthew 26:41 "Watch and pray so that you will not be tempted."

Songs : As we begin a New Year let's begin with "Thanking God for a New Day" and let's "Stop and Listen" to what God says.

1) **New Day** by (Yancy & Little Praise Party) : <https://youtu.be/qKy54w1wg5E>

2) **Stop and Go** by (Yancy & Little Praise Party) : <https://youtu.be/uE6ilddzjd8>

Bible Story "God's Story: Prayer" : https://youtu.be/ZrdlXOk_QdQ



Today we are asking the Question "Why Pray?" Can you think of an answer? In the Bible Story video, we see that Prayer helps us to talk to God. Talking with someone means you will need to spend time with them. The more time you spend together, the better you will get to know each other. When we pray we have an opportunity to Praise God for all He has done for us. We also have an opportunity to Repent and say sorry for things we may have done wrong. If you are hungry and would like a sandwich but you sit just looking at your mom, you will stay hungry.

But if you Ask her for a sandwich, she can hear you and help you with what you need. God also wants us to Ask Him. When we do, He will hear us and answer in the way He knows is best for us, just like mom making you a healthy sandwich. When we pray, we can Yield or surrender to God, allowing His will to be done in our lives. We can ask the Holy Spirit to guide us in all we do so that we can please God every day.

So let's remember that prayer is communicating or talking with God. We may not be able to call God on the cell phone or send Him a WhatsApp, but prayer is just as real. It's as real as having God sitting right next to you as you speak. You know why? Because He is always with us, even though we don't see Him. Why should we pray? Because it makes our relationship with God stronger and to get His direction for our lives. God is so good and will help us when we are happy, sad, sick or even when we're in trouble. God will give us wisdom, strength and understanding if we only ask Him. In fact, God is willing to give us many good things as long as we ask for them according to His Will. God answers our prayers with signs. The Holy Spirit can guide us and so can His Word, the Bible. When we pray our relationship with God grows. **Remember our Key Point is "I can talk to God."**

Talk to God today and then listen - listen and discover all the wonderful things you will learn through prayer



Could you imagine trying to have a best friend without communicating with them? Prayer is seeking God and His direction for our lives. Praying also helps keep us out of trouble. Jesus told us to pray, "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation." (Matthew 26:41)

A short video on "Why we Pray?" :
https://youtu.be/jB10aU5t_as



Life Application

Reflection questions :

1. What is prayer?

(Prayer is spiritual communication between ourselves and God.)

2. Can you pray when you are in trouble? (Yes.)

3. Can you pray when you are happy? (Yes.)

4. What is another name for happy prayers? (Praises.)

6. What else can we pray for?

(Some examples include: Guidance, Protection, Strength, Wisdom.)

7. Is God ever too busy to hear our prayers? (No)



A Short Prayer

Dear Jesus, thank You for hearing our voices and turning Your ear to us. We thank You for hearing our prayers and for acting on our behalf. We are grateful for all that You provide. May we have the wisdom to seek You each and every day.
Amen!



Prayer Whiz

Boys and Girls remember to be part of our monthly Prayer Whiz. Watch the Prayer Whiz video and Download your Prayer Whiz Monthly Handout from our website : <https://www.rhema.co.za/kids-ministry>



Fun Activities :

JESUS TEACHES HOW TO PRAY

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.



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Keep On Praying

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. Luke 18:1 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 18:1-8 (NIV).



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SUNDAY SCHOOL TAKE HOME PAGE

To parents:

This page lets you know what your child learned in Sunday school today. In addition, you will find this week's memory verse, a suggested activity, and a short prayer to reinforce the lesson. Being involved and interacting with your child can be very rewarding for both of you.

What we learned:



Today, we learned why we pray. It's simple, to talk with God and to get His direction for our lives. God is so good and will help us when we are happy, sad, sick or even when we're in trouble. God will give us wisdom, strength and understanding if we only ask Him. In fact God is willing to give us many good things as long as we ask for them in accordance to His will. (Scripture used: James 5:13-16)

Memory Verse:



**"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."
Jeremiah 29:13 NIV**

Practice this verse with your child during the week. This will not only help him or her remember the verse, but it will also help give your child a desire to commune with God on a regular basis.

Suggested Parent/Child Activity:



1) Ask your child if he or she could become close friends to someone if he or she never communicated with the other person.

2) Ask your child how much he or she would learn at school if he or she never opened the books or listened to the teacher.

Take time to explain the points above are also true with our relationship with God. We must take time to communicate with God through prayer. We can listen to God and learn many important truths by reading God's Word, the Bible.

Daily Prayer:



Heavenly Father, we thank You for hearing our voices and turning Your ear to us. We thank You for hearing our prayers and for acting on our behalf. We thank You and are grateful for all that You provide. May we have the wisdom to seek You each and every day. Amen