

# faith & family

## Life Source

### Family Devotions

Hopefully your preteen is beginning to develop a habit of personal devotions. But there are still plenty of times when your input is needed—and valued. Encourage your child to read the daily Scriptures. Read the verses yourself. Use the questions to help your preteen understand the verses and apply them to life. Discover and learn from God’s Word—together!

- **SUNDAY**—Read Matthew 6:5-8.  
How does Jesus describe the way the hypocrites pray? Why do they pray that way? How does He tell us to pray?
- **MONDAY**—Read Matthew 6:9, 10.  
In Jesus’ example of how to pray, what does He say about God? How does this help us know the way we should talk to God? What other things about God could we say in our prayers to tell Him how we feel about Him?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Matthew 6:11-15.  
Do you think Jesus is talking only about bread in verse 11? What is the connection between our forgiving others and God forgiving us?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Matthew 9:35-38.  
What does Jesus tell His disciples that they should ask the Lord? Why? How can our family be part of the answer to that prayer?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Luke 6:27-31.  
Whom does Jesus say that we should pray for? Are there people in your life who fit into that category? We can pray that God will work in those people’s lives and in your relationship to them.
- **FRIDAY**—Read Ephesians 1:16-21.  
Why do you think it was important to Paul that the Ephesians know God better? What friends or family members can we pray this prayer for?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Colossians 4:2-4.  
What kind of prayer is Paul asking for? Who can we pray for regularly as they work to tell others about Jesus in this country or in another part of the world?



## POWER SURGE

Find these verses in the Bible.  
Together, memorize the verses.  
**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

Talk to God! He’s waiting to hear from *you!*