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- **SUNDAY**—Read Matthew 6:6.  
Where should we pray? When should we pray?
- **MONDAY**—Read 2 Timothy 2:11-13.  
What requests can we make when we pray to God?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Proverbs 16:20.  
Share about a time when you didn't know what to pray.  
Did God know what you needed anyway?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Matthew 5:43-45.  
Why does Jesus want us to pray for those who are unkind to us?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18.  
How often should we pray?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Ephesians 3:14-21.  
For what things did Paul pray in his prayer for the Ephesians?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Ephesians 1:15-18.  
Name a person for whom you could pray this prayer.



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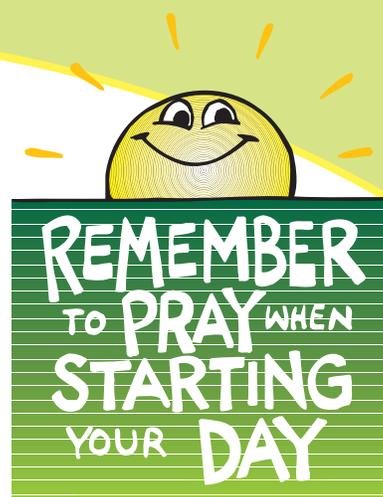
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Why did Jesus tell this parable? (Read Luke 18:1 again.)
- **MONDAY**—Read Philippians 4:4-7.  
How should we present our requests to God?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Matthew 6:9-15.  
What can we say in our prayers to follow Jesus' example of how to pray?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:18-20.  
For what should we pray?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 Timothy 2:1-4.  
What does God want for everyone?  
Do you pray for this?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Proverbs 15:29.  
Whose prayers does God hear?
- **SATURDAY**—Read John 17:20, 21.  
In one of Jesus' last prayers while He was on earth, He prayed for you! What does Jesus want for us?



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- **SUNDAY**—Read Ephesians 2:19-22.  
Who is the chief cornerstone (most important building block) of God's household, the church?
- **MONDAY**—Read Acts 2:36-39.  
According to Peter, what should people do to be saved? How do people become part of the church?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Acts 2:42-47.  
What was the early church doing?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 1 Timothy 4:12.  
Within the church, what can we do to set an example in speech and in life?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 2 Thessalonians 2:16, 17.  
God uses other people to encourage us.  
Who has encouraged you recently?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Galatians 5:13, 14.  
Name a time when you served others in the church with love.
- **SATURDAY**—Read Acts 8:35.  
Have you told anyone the good news about Jesus? Who can we invite to church services?



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What kind of sacrifices does God like?
- **MONDAY**—Read 1 Samuel 2:26; 3:10.  
How can we grow as servants of God?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Philippians 2:14.  
How are we to serve others?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 2 Corinthians 9:6, 7.  
What attitude should we have when we give to God?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 Corinthians 13:3-7.  
What attitudes should we have when we serve others?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 2 Peter 1:3, 10, 11.  
What specific services can members of our family offer to further God's kingdom?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-6.  
What gifts has God given to various members of our family that we can use for Him?



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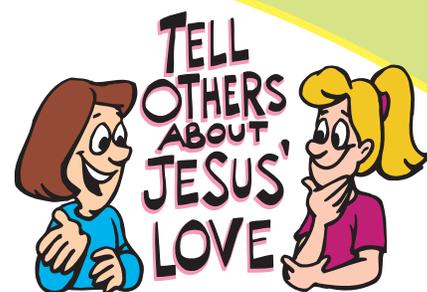
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Why are God's ways best?
- **MONDAY**—Read 1 John 2:28–3:1.  
What does it mean to be a child of God?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Romans 5:5-8.  
How does it feel to know that God loves each of us?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 2 Corinthians 5:17.  
Because God accepts us, how should we act?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:19, 20.  
How can we help each other to boldly speak the gospel?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Acts 4:12, 13, 19, 20.  
Peter and John were courageous because they had spent time with Jesus. When can we spend time with Him?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-4.  
What important things about Jesus should we tell others?



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- **SUNDAY**—Read Philippians 1:3-6.  
For whom can we thank God?
- **MONDAY**—Read 2 Corinthians 1:3, 4.  
For what can we praise God?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Hebrews 13:15, 16.  
What does it mean to give a sacrifice of praise to God? How can we do this?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Psalm 100.  
Why can we thank God?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Colossians 3:15-17.  
What are some things we can do in the name of Jesus?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Philippians 4:8, 9.  
What should we do with praiseworthy things?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 Chronicles 16:8, 9.  
What has God done for us this week? How can we thank Him?



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- **SUNDAY**—Read Romans 15:5-7.  
Who has accepted us? Who do we need to accept?
- **MONDAY**—Read Acts 10:34, 35.  
According to these verses, whom does God accept?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Acts 15:7-11, 19.  
Have you ever made it difficult for others to join your group at school or at church? How can you accept others?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Matthew 5:44-47.  
How does Jesus tell us to treat others, including our enemies?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Romans 12:16.  
Have you ever snubbed someone because he didn't have cool stuff like your other friends?  
What does this verse say about that kind of attitude?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 1 Peter 3:8.  
What attitudes do we need to live in harmony with others?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 Peter 2:16, 17.  
For whom should we show respect?



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- **SUNDAY**—Read James 5:17, 18.  
An earnest prayer is a prayer that is seriously and strongly meant. What happened when Elijah prayed earnestly?
- **MONDAY**—Read James 5:16.  
How would you describe the prayer of a righteous person?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Acts 12:5, 7, 11, 12.  
For what kind of situations does our church congregation pray?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Daniel 6:10, 11.  
How often should we talk to God? Are we willing to let others hear or see us pray?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Philemon 4-7.  
For whom can we pray Paul's prayer found in these verses?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 1 Chronicles 5:20.  
For what things can we trust God?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 Peter 4:1, 7.  
How should we live so that we can pray?



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The Bible says God chose you. How does that make you feel?
- **MONDAY**—Read 1 Peter 1:18-21.  
The Bible says God chose Jesus to save you. How does that make you feel?
- **TUESDAY**—Read 1 Peter 2:9, 10.  
The Bible says all Christians are a royal priesthood. How then should we act?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Romans 8:23-26.  
How does the Holy Spirit help us in our relationship with God?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Galatians 5:22-25.  
What characteristics does the Holy Spirit bring to our lives?
- **FRIDAY**—Read James 3:17, 18.  
What does it mean to have wisdom from Heaven?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 1 John 5:1-5.  
How can we know that we are children of God?

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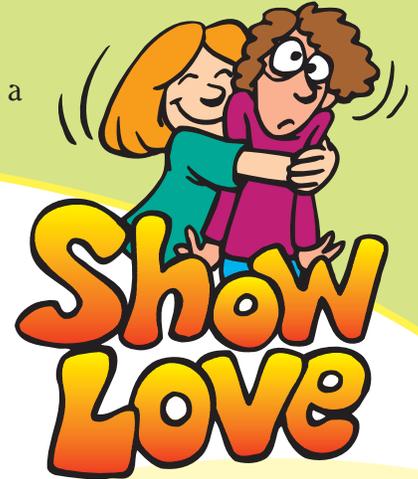
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- **SUNDAY**—Read Acts 20:33-35.  
How can we help the weak? Aren't we all weak sometimes?
- **MONDAY**—Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-9.  
Share about a time when you were a generous and cheerful giver.
- **TUESDAY**—Read Romans 12:9-13.  
How can we show sincere love to others?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Romans 12:14-16.  
How can we live in harmony with other people?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Romans 12:17-21.  
How can we overcome evil with good?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Colossians 3:12-14.  
How are we to forgive others?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Hebrews 13:1-3.  
How can we show love to people who have been mistreated?



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- **SUNDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:10-13.  
What schemes has the devil used in your life? What do we need to stand against?
- **MONDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:14.  
Knowing God's truth helps us hold in place the breastplate of righteousness. How can we continue to follow God's rules for life?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:15, 16.  
What can help us tell others about God's gospel of peace?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:17.  
How can we grow in confidence when using the Word of God?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Ephesians 6:18.  
Who can our family pray for?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 2 Peter 3:9-12.  
God wants everyone to come to repentance. How should we live so others will come to know God too?
- **SATURDAY**—Read 2 Peter 3:17, 18.  
How can we continue to grow in our Lord's grace?

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- **SUNDAY**—Read Deuteronomy 6:5.  
What can we do to obey this command?
- **MONDAY**—Read John 3:16, 17.  
How did God demonstrate His love for the world?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Ephesians 5:1, 2.  
How can we be imitators God?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read 1 John 4:19-21.  
What are some ways we can show love for our neighbors, classmates, and work associates?
- **THURSDAY**—Read 1 John 3:1, 10.  
God loves us very much. God's children love other people. When should we show God's love to others?
- **FRIDAY**—Read 1 John 3:16-18.  
How can we show love to other people by more than our words?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Romans 5:8.  
God loved us even when we didn't love Him. How do you treat people when they are not kind to you?

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## PRaise GOD!

- **SUNDAY**—Read Psalm 95:6, 7.  
What does worship mean to you?
- **MONDAY**—Read John 4:23-26.  
How does God want us to worship Him?
- **TUESDAY**—Read Psalm 67:3-5.  
Who should praise God?  
When do you praise God?
- **WEDNESDAY**—Read Psalm 104:33, 34.  
How long are we to praise God?
- **THURSDAY**—Read Revelation 4:11.  
What wonderful things has God created that you can praise Him for?
- **FRIDAY**—Read Psalm 92:1, 2.  
When do you praise God for His love and faithfulness?
- **SATURDAY**—Read Psalm 78:4-7.  
What praiseworthy deed has God done for you?  
Have you told someone about it?

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