

PRAYING SCRIPTURE OVER STUDENTS: A 7-DAY PRAYER GUIDE



Day One: Favor

Acts 17:25, 28
1 Corinthians 4:7

Father, every breath is a gift of your grace and favor. It is from your hand that _____ have life and breath and all things today. It is in you that they live and move and have their being. Keep them from taking your instant sustaining goodness for granted. Create engine delight in their hearts today for each breath. Give them eyes to see the wonder of your sustaining love, and cause their hearts to be full with thanksgiving. For your glory and their good, in the all-sustaining name of Jesus, amen.

Day Two: Wisdom

Jeremiah 9:23-24

Father, I pray today that _____ would not boast or find their identity in their own wisdom. Protect them from the lure of feeling that their wisdom makes them superior to other people. Let their identity be found in you. Give them eyes to see where your love, justice, and righteousness are needed. Give them resolve to apply your wisdom to these situation wholeheartedly, even when it is hard. For your glory and their good, in Jesus' name, amen.

Day Three: Love

Romans 5:6-8

Father, thank you for revealing the magnificence of your love by redeeming those no one else would have even considered. Help _____ to see the magnitude of your sacrifice for them. Give them eyes to see how this exalts your greatness. Help their weak and feeble hearts to grasp the surpassing greatness of your provision. Stir within them thankfulness at every turn for redeeming them from the domain of darkness and establishing in them the kingdom of your beloved Son, Jesus. For your glory and their good, in the all-powerful name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Day Five: Purity

Matthew 5:8

Father, in a world that disregards purity, the question of the psalmist is vital: "How can a young man (or woman) keep their way pure?" A wholehearted pursuit of you and your Word is the answer. I pray that _____ would taste the sweetness of Scripture and desire it with their whole hearts. Help them to believe that your Word is the sword of the Spirit that can lead, guide, and empower them to pursue purity in every decision. Give them the desire and will to hide your Word in their hearts that they might not sin against you. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty. In Jesus' name, amen.

Day Four: Faith

Proverbs 29:25

Father, I pray that you would help _____ to not fear man. Fearing man creates a snare in our hearts and minds. Set them free from those snares and difficulties that come from giving man too big of a place in our hearts and minds. Cause them to trust in you so that you would be at the forefront of their hearts and minds. You are safe and good, and you alone can set them free from the fear of man. Reign in what they think, say, and do today. For your glory and their good, in Jesus' name, amen.

Day Six: Speech

Ephesians 4:29
Ephesians 5:4

Father, I pray that _____ would speak good words with purpose and precision. Grant that they would speak in a way that builds others up and offers grace to those who hear. Protect them from corrupt and foolish talk. Guard them from speech that is filled with filthiness and crude joking. Allow them to initiate conversations that are gracious and encouraging. Create in them gratefulness for all that you have done for them. I pray that thankfulness would flow freely from their lips so that you are glorified and others are uplifted. For your glory and their good, in Jesus' name, amen.

Day Seven: Conduct

John 15:5

Father, thank you for making it clear that we are dependent on you for everything. We must rely on and abide in Jesus for our spiritual life if we are to have any hope of flourishing. Apart from you we can do nothing. It is you who sustains us and empowers us each day. Cause _____ to abide in you today. Empower them by your Spirit to bear fruit that lasts. Give them a longing to abide in you and help others to come and find their greatest satisfaction in you. For your glory and their good, in Jesus' name, amen.