

PRAYER FOR THE NEEDS OF A TROUBLED SON OR DAUGHTER

Key Scripture: *Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee* (Psalm 119:9-11).

Key Thought: God hears your prayers and loves your child.

Prayer: Lord God, my child _____, is having trouble with _____. I know You care about every aspect of our lives, and because You do, I freely cast all my cares upon You. ¹ I pray that my son/daughter will learn to search for You with all his/her heart. Remind him/her of the need to follow Your commandments, ² and to obey his/her parents. ³ Shield and protect him/her from the evil one. ⁴ Let all strategies and schemes of the enemy against his/her life be stopped now and forever, in the name of Jesus. ⁵ Convict _____ of his/her need to draw close to You. ⁶ Help my child to clearly see the plan and purpose You have for his/her life. ⁷

Turn _____'s heart toward you and toward me, Lord, and help me to keep my heart right toward him/her. ⁸ Many are overwhelmed by the difficult times in the world today, but You, Lord, are more powerful than any difficulty or trouble. ⁹

Turn any disobedience in _____'s heart and life to the wisdom of the just. Give him/her an understanding heart that openly responds to the wisdom and direction he/she receives, ¹⁰ so that he/she will become responsive and obedient to all Your will. ¹¹

As a parent under Your authority, Father, I will walk in Your Word. As I do so, I receive Your knowledge, instruction, wisdom, and understanding. Fill both me and my child with the knowledge of Your will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. I desire to walk worthy of You, Lord God, unto all pleasing, and to be fruitful in every good work, increasing in the knowledge of You at all times. ¹² Thank You for fulfilling Your promise of wisdom to me, Lord God.

Thank You for hearing and answering my prayer, Father.

References: (1) 1 Peter 5:7; (2) Psalm 119:9; (3) Ephesians 6:1; (4) Matthew 6:13; (5) Ephesians 6:11; (6) James 4:8; (7) Jeremiah 29:11; (8) Malachi 4:5-6; (9) 1 Peter 1:5; (10) 1 Kings 3:9; (11) Proverbs 3:1; (12) Colossians 1:9-11.

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