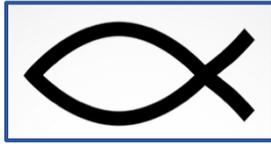


IDEAS for Family Prayer



Bless One Another

Pray for each other; Pray for a heart for God;
Pray for unity; Pray for God's purpose;
Pray for godly friendships; Pray for hearts to serve.



Sing Together

Choose a hymn to sing together. One verse is fine! A few ideas: Amazing Grace, This Little Light of Mine, How Great Thou Art, He's Got the Whole World in His Hands, Be Thou My Vision, Peace Like a River



P•R•A•I•S•E

P: Praise God
R: Repent of failings
A: Ask for help (petitions)
I: Intercede for others
S: Seek God's will / discern
E: Express desire to serve God / Give thanks



Write a Love Letter to God

Each family member can write a letter to God (or draw pictures) telling Him how much you love Him, thanking Him for giving His Son to die for your sins. Thank Him for how your life has changed because of His love, let Him know how you want to be His disciple and share His love with others. Read your letters together as family, with each letter being an act of prayer.



Break Bread Together

Use juice and whatever bread or crackers you have available. Suggested format:

- Have a family member read I Cor. 11:23-26
- Offer a prayer for the bread – *“Jesus body was broken for us”* – eat the bread
- Offer a prayer for the cup – *“Jesus blood was shed for our sins”* – drink the juice
“We remember Jesus in communion so that we will remember Him throughout our day(s).”



Names of God

Rich with meaning, the names of God not only point to who He is, they give a clear picture of what He has done, is doing, and will do. Praying the names of God can be a way to honor and worship Him. Make a list of the Names of God you can think of. Here's a start: King of Kings, Father, Counselor, Yahweh, Creator, Lord, Healer, Savior, Living Water, God of Hope, Potter
Example One Line prayer: *“Light of the World, I pray that people would look to you for hope when things feel dark.”*



Read/Reflect on Bible Verse

10 Inspirational Possibilities: 1 Thessalonians 5:16; 1 Chronicles 16:11; Ephesians 4:32; Psalm 150:6; Colossians 3:2; John 3:16; 2 Timothy 1:7; Psalm 56:3; Psalm 37:3; Hebrews 13:8



Let the Kids Lead!

Ask one or all of the children to lead a prayer, lead petitions, or recite thanksgivings.