

DAILY READING: PRAY

One benefit of following Jesus is I can bring everything to God in prayer. I pray so I can know God better and get direction for my life. I will talk to God about everything. He will give me help and peace. Everything in my life, big or small, is important to God. He will help me with everything I pray about. When I pray, I can seek forgiveness and find strength to live for Jesus and never give up.

DAILY STUDY:

PRAY

DAY 1: Jesus Tells Us How to Pray – Matthew 6:5-15

(page 946); Luke 11:1-13 (page 1018)

DAY 2: Turn to God in Prayer – Romans 8:26-27 (page 1115);

2 Chronicles 6:37-40 (page 426)

DAY 3: Tell God Our Needs – James 4:2-3 (page 1224);

Psalms 69:13 (page 567); Psalm 5:3 (page 534)

DAY 4: Humility (*I do not think of myself as better and I know*

I am in need of God's help) and Prayer – James 5:15-16

(page 1225); 2 Chronicles 7:12-14 (page 427)

DAY 5: Worry and Prayer – Philippians 4:6-7 (page 1172);

Psalm 34:4 (page 548)

DAY 6: Wisdom and Knowledge – Colossians 1:9 (page 1176);

Proverbs 2:6 (page 618); Isaiah 62:1-2 (page 719)

DAY 7: Read the Daily Reading again.

**Take time to learn the memory verse
and have fun doing the activity.**

Praying Mantis

The Praying Mantis gets its name because its front legs make it look like its praying. You don't always need to fold your hands and bow your head when you pray. You can talk to Jesus anywhere, any time! You don't even have to do it out loud. Jesus hears your prayers no matter what.



ACTIVITY: Prayer Pocket

You can bring everything to God in prayer. God cares about everything you care about. He wants to help you. He wants you to be at peace. Make a prayer pocket to place your prayer requests in.

YOU WILL NEED:

- 1 white paper plate and 1 brown (or dark color) paper plate
- Markers, colored pencils
- Scissors
- Stapler
- Hole punch
- Yarn cut into 12" lengths

STEPS:

1. On one half of the white paper plate draw a large Cross. Above the cross write PRAY.
2. Cut the dark paper plate in half.
3. Place the half plate onto the whole plate. The sides you would put food on should face each other. Make sure the edges are even and staple the outside edges of the half plate onto the whole plate. This will create a pocket.
4. When you are worried write your concerns on a piece of paper. Place the paper in the pocket beneath the Cross. Pray for Jesus to help you leave your worries with Him.

MEMORY VERSE:

Philippians 4:6 "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done."
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