

From Playing to Praying: Teaching Kids to Intercede

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Why have we not engaged our children in intercession?

What are some of the challenges we will face when our children begin engaging in intercession?

What are some of the benefits we will experience when our children begin engaging in intercession?

LAYING A FOUNDATION OF INTERCESSION

Share your heart for children to be ENGAGED in the ministry of intercession.

All the men of Judah, with their wives and **children** and little ones, **stood there before the Lord**" 2 Chronicles 20:2-4, 13.

Teach foundational truths of prayer.

- Prayer is talking to God.
- God teaches me how to pray.
- God listens when I pray.
- · God answers my prayers.
- Gods talks to me.
- God wants me to pray (intercede) for others.

INVOLVE KIDS IN INTERCESSION

Teach what intercession is

Scripture verse: 1 Timothy 2:1

The intercessor comes before God on behalf of a person, people, or a nation.

Bible stories that illustrate intercession

- Abraham Intercedes for Lot (Genesis 18:20-33; 19:1-20)
- Moses interceded for Israel (Exodus 32:7-14), Scripture verse: Ezekiel 22:30, "stand...in the gap"
- The Church Intercedes for Peter (Acts 12:5-17).

Help children determine prayer needs

- Greatest need is salvation
- Teach the child to pray God's Word
- Teach the child to depend on God to know how to pray

Provide prayer tools—

Prayer list or journal

Prayer guide or bookmark

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Plan prayer activities— Intercession Targets. Praying Hands

In the News.

Prayer Cloths.

Get Well Cards.

Flash Prayers.

Prayer Walks.

Pray for the World.

- Find the 10/40 Window. The bottom of the window is the line labeled "10 degrees" above the equator. The top of the window is the line labeled "40 degrees" above the equator. The left side is the west coast of Africa, and the window goes all the way across to the other side of Japan where the right side is located. This makes a big rectangle that includes countries in the Middle East and Asia.
- · Ask Questions.
 - Who are some people you know who are from a country in the 10/40 window?
 - Why is it hard for people in the 10/40 window to learn about Jesus?
- What is something you could pray for a child in the 10/40 window?

Prayer Stations

RESOURCES FOR INTERCESSION

Curriculum:

KidsGap: Teaching Kids to Be Kingdom Intercessors by Alvin Vandergriend, Jenny Almquis. Published by Prayershop Publishing. ISBN-13: 9780979361159

Book:

Prayer Saturated Kids by Cheryl Sacks and Arlyn Lawrence. Published by Pray! Books. ISBN-13: 9781600061363 www.kidsprayer.com

Prayer Tools: Kids' Prayer Cards:

- Praying for Government Leaders
- Praying for My Brothers and Sisters
- Praying for My Dad
- Praying for My Mom
- Praying for My Neighborhood
- Praying for My Pastor
- Praying for My School
- T.H.U.M.B. Prayer Cards

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