

PRAYING FOR THE Children of Abuse

Here are 31 Biblical Virtues....one for each day of the month. (You can write them on 3x5 cards and rotate them each day...post them on the fridge?!) They are excerpted from *Pray!* Magazine by Bob Hostetler.

1. **SALVATION** - Lord, let salvation spring up within these children, that they may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. (Is. 45:8, 2 Tim. 2:10)
2. **GROWTH IN GRACE** - I pray that these children may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18)
3. **LOVE** - Grant, Lord, that these children may learn to live a life of love, through the Spirit who dwells in them. (Gal 5:25, Eph 5:2)
4. **HONESTY AND INTEGRITY** - May integrity and honesty be their virtue and their protection. (Ps. 25:21)
5. **SELF-CONTROL** - Father, help these children not to be like many others around them, but let them be alert and self-controlled in all they do. (1 Thes. 5:6)
6. **LOVE FOR GOD'S WORD** - May the children grow to find Your Word more precious than much pure gold and sweeter than honey from the comb. (Ps. 19:10)
7. **JUSTICE** - God, help the children to love justice as You do and act justly in all they do. (Ps. 11:7, Mic. 6:8)
8. **MERCY** - May the children always be merciful, just as their Father in Heaven is merciful. (Lk. 6:36)
9. **RESPECT (FOR SELF, OTHERS, AUTHORITY)** - Father, grant that these children may show proper respect to everyone, as your Word commands. (1 Pet. 2:17)
10. **BIBLICAL SELF-ESTEEM** - Help these children develop a strong self-esteem that is rooted in the realization that they are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus. (Eph. 2:10)
11. **FAITHFULNESS** - Let love and faithfulness never leave these children, but bind these twin virtues around their necks and write them on the tablet of their hearts. (Prov. 3:3)
12. **COURAGE** - May these children always be strong and courageous in their character and in their actions. (Dt. 31:6)
13. **PURITY** - Create in them a pure heart, O God, and let that purity of heart be shown in their actions. (Ps. 51:10)

14. **KINDNESS** - Lord, may these children always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else. (I Thes. 5:15)
15. **GENEROSITY** - Grant that these children may be generous and willing to share, and so lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age. (I Tim. 6:18-9)
16. **PEACE-LOVING** - Father, let these children make every effort to do what leads to peace. (Rom. 14:19)
17. **JOY** - May these children be filled with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. (I Thes. 1:6)
18. **PERSEVERANCE** - Lord, teach these children perseverance in all they do, and help them especially to run with perseverance the race marked out for them. (Heb. 12:1)
19. **HUMILITY** - God, please cultivate in these children the ability to show true humility toward all. (Titus 3:2)
20. **COMPASSION** - Lord, please clothe these children with the virtue of compassion. (Col. 3:12)
21. **RESPONSIBILITY** - Grant that these children may learn responsibility, for each one should carry his own load. (Gal. 6:5)
22. **CONTENTMENT** - Father, teach these children the secret of being content in any and every situation, through Him who gives them strength. (Phil. 4:12-3)
23. **FAITH** - I pray that faith will root and grow in these children's hearts, that by faith they may gain what has been promised to them. (Lk. 17:5-6; Heb 11:1-40)
24. **A SERVANT'S HEART** - God, please help these children develop servants' hearts, that they may serve wholeheartedly as if they were serving the Lord, not men. (Eph. 6:7)
25. **HOPE** - May the God of hope grant that these children develop servants' hearts, that they may serve wholeheartedly, as if they were serving the Lord, not men. (Eph. 6:7)
26. **WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY TO WORK** - Teach these children, Lord, to value work and to work at it with all their heart, as working for the Lord, not for men. (Col. 3:23)
27. **PASSION FOR GOD** - Lord, please instill in these children a soul that "followeth hard after thee" (Ps. 63:8, KJV), one that clings passionately to you.
28. **SELF-DISCIPLINE** - Father, I pray that these children may acquire a disciplined and prudent life, doing what is right and just and fair. (Prov 1:3)
29. **PRAYERFULNESS** - Grant, Lord, that these children's lives may be marked by prayerfulness, that they may learn to pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. (Eph. 6:18)
30. **GRATITUDE** - Help these children to live lives that are always overflowing with thankfulness and always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Eph. 5:20; Col 2:7)

31. **A HEART FOR MISSIONS** - Lord, please help these children to develop a desire to see your glory declared among the nations, your marvelous deeds among all peoples. (Ps. 96:3)