



Prayers from a Mother's Heart

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1. Dear God, teach my child to speak truth always - and season her words with love.
2. Dear God, help my child find in me what he needs in a parent.
3. Dear God, reveal to my child that while you may not always give answers to her every question, you will always give yourself.
4. Dear God, help my child to find friendship in unexpected places, to find common ground with those who initially might seem different.
5. Dear God, help my child to be so full of your love that it bubbles over into every part of his life.
6. Dear God, may my child turn her life over to you as her Lord.
7. Dear God, give my child more faith each day.
8. Dear God, bring my child to an understanding of what your death on the cross means to him.
9. Dear God, turn my child's deficits into offerings for you and your world.
10. Dear God, teach my child that needs are normal. May she look to you first to meet them.
11. Dear God, assure my child that he is loved.
12. Dear God, help my child to understand that faith is both a gift from you and a process.
13. Dear God, please help my children to internalize the values that they have learned in our family.
14. Dear God, protect my child from mistakes which have consequences that might damage her life.
15. Dear God, weave threads of loyalty, respect and love between my children.
16. Dear God, use the disappointments of my child's days to point him to you.
17. Dear God, weed arrogance from the soil of my child's days.
18. Dear God, don't let my child's heart envy sinners. Proverbs 23:17
19. Dear God, teach my child to share – of her possessions, of her time and of her heart.
20. Dear God, imprint your voice on my child's memory that he may learn to discern your voice from the voices of others.
21. Dear God, teach my child to value a good name more than great riches. Proverbs 22:1
22. Dear God, draw my child's roots down deep into you, like a tree planted by streams of water. Psalm 1:3
23. Dear God, attract my child to truth, wisdom and understanding.
24. Dear God, give my child the strength to say no – no to choices that lead her away from you.
25. Dear God, stretch my child's patience with others until it matches your patience with him.
26. Dear God, keep my child's walk blameless and pure. Proverbs 28:18
27. Dear God, preserve my child's mate for her – make him like you.
28. Dear God, move my child out from me one step at a time until he can stand on his own with you.
29. Dear God, call my child apart to your purposes for her life, whatever they might be.
30. Dear God, focus my child's eyes on the hope that is in you.