

KIDTOWN GUIDE

3K - 4K

DATE: 7/12/20

SCRIPTURE: Luke 11; 18

LESSON: Jesus Taught About Prayer



INTRO

Parents say to your kid(s) - Did you know that you can talk to God? Today we will look at how we can talk to God in prayer! We will see today how Jesus taught us to pray.

Day and Night - Ask children what they do when they wake up in the morning and invite them to play it out. Pretend to brush teeth, get dressed, eat breakfast, and so forth. Continue with other segments of the day, finishing with bedtime routines. Pretend to go to sleep, then awake children by knocking on a door or table.

Parents say - Has anyone ever had a friend come to visit in the middle of the night? That would be strange. Nighttime is for sleeping! People don't usually wake up their friends in the middle of the night unless they really need help. But a good friend is willing to help, even at night. Jesus taught that we can ask God for help in that way. He is always willing to help us! Listen to today's Bible story to find out more.



LESSON - THE COST OF FOLLOWING JESUS

Watch the Bible story video: [Jesus Taught About Prayer](#)

Story Point! (Kids repeat!)

Jesus taught us to pray! (Kids repeat!)

Jesus taught us to pray. We can pray and ask God for everything we need! God is good and loving, and we can trust Him to care for us and to do what is right. Jesus tells us that when a son asks for a fish, the father doesn't give him a snake, right? That would be mean! Earthly fathers know how to give good gifts to their children. God is an even greater Father! He gives us what we need!

Christ Connection! (Kids Repeat!)

Because of Jesus, we can talk to God in prayer! Kids Repeat!

Jesus died on the cross to take away all of our sin and made a way for us to have relationship with God! He cares so much about us and wants us to pray about our needs. He will answer us, and He always knows what is best!

RESPONSE



Sing: [I Have Spoken](#) (Current Key Passage Song)
[By His Wounds](#)

Discuss:

- Why do we pray? *Prayer is how we talk to God. We can praise Him, confess our sins, thank Him and ask for help. Prayer shows our dependence on God and our trust in Him. (Heb 4:16)*
- Will God always give us what we ask for when we pray? *Lead kids to recognize that the Bible says God gives us what we ask for when we ask according to His will, or His plan. Sometimes God does not give us what we ask for because He has a better plan for us. We can trust that God is good and loving, and we can count on Him to do what is right. (1 John 5:14)*
- What are some things we can stop and ask God for right now? Try to name three “small” things and three big things!

If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com.

Pray - Jesus, thank you for teaching us how to pray. We are so grateful that you care about our every need and want us to come to you. Help us to pray more often!

BONUS ACTIVITIES



Coloring Sheet - [Printable Coloring Sheet](#)

Play Catch - Form a circle. Toss a ball to a child and encourage them to catch it. Have them toss it to someone else.. Praise all attempts and encourage children to keep trying even if they don't catch the ball. Emphasize not giving up.

Parents say: Good job practicing catch without giving up! Jesus taught people how to pray without giving up. He said that even people who do not care about God or others will respond when someone keeps asking. But God is good and loving, so we can trust Him to care for us and to do what is right! Because of Jesus, we can pray and ask God for everything we need.