

# 40 DAYS OF *prayer*

KIDS' DEVOTIONAL



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Dear child champion,

Thank you for faithfully walking with children through the 40 Days of Prayer initiative alongside the Alliance family! This year, our focus is The Life of Christ as we reflect together on who Jesus is and what He has done for us.

This Children's Guide is designed to help you introduce kids to each weekly theme using a short, Scripture-based devotional, along with a weekly prayer written just for children. The six weekly devotionals cover these powerful truths:

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| 1. <i>Christ Our Savior</i>     | 4. <i>Christ Our Coming King</i> |
| 2. <i>Christ Our Sanctifier</i> | 5. <i>Christ and His Mission</i> |
| 3. <i>Christ Our Healer</i>     | 6. <i>Christ and His Church</i>  |

Each devotional invites kids to explore the life and love of Jesus, helping them see how they can know Him deeply and follow Him closely. Whether you are using this resource in a church setting or at home, it is designed to take about five to seven minutes each week and can be used alongside your regular children's ministry curriculum.

In addition to the written devotions and prayers, short recap videos will be provided each week to reinforce the theme in a simple, meaningful way for children. These tools make it easy to guide kids through the 40 Days of Prayer in a way that feels accessible and engaging.

We are so thankful you are helping children discover more of Jesus. We believe kids have an essential role in the life of the Church and in the mission of God. Your leadership matters. We are honored to walk this journey with you!

With gratitude,



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## JESUS SAVES US

**Theme:** *Christ Our Savior*



### KEY VERSE

*"He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son."*

—Colossians 1:13, ESV

## The Most Important Rescue

Have you ever played a game where someone had to come and rescue you? Maybe you played tag and someone had to save you from being "frozen." It's fun when a friend comes and sets you free, but it isn't any fun when you are out or lose the game.

Did you know that we all need rescue, a Savior, who can keep us safe eternally?

Long ago, in the Garden of Eden, the first people God created chose not to listen to God and instead selfishly decided to disobey His command. They ate the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. They sinned, even though God warned them it would mean death and separation.

After they ate the fruit, Adam and Eve hid. They were terrified of the awful thing they had done. They were sure nothing could save them from the punishment that they deserved. What would happen to them? What would God do? Could they hide from Him forever?

While there were very big consequences for their sin, God did something they did not suspect. He made a rescue plan. He promised them that a Savior would come

who would break the curse of sin and rescue all who believed. That Savior is Jesus!

Today, we all must decide if we want to accept the rescue Jesus offers us. Jesus is our Savior, the only way to have a relationship with God, and the only way for us to be with God forever.

In this new year, as our Alliance family spends 40 days together in prayer, we first remember that Jesus is our Savior who wants all of us to accept His gift of salvation.



## PRAYER

*Jesus,*

*Thank You for coming to rescue us.*

*Thank You for loving us so much that You made a way for us to be close to God again.*

*We believe that You are **Christ our Savior**—the only One who can save us from sin and bring us into God's forever family.*

*Please help people all over the world who don't know You yet.*

*Let them hear Your true story, believe in You, and say yes to Your gift of salvation.*

*We want everyone to know how good You are.*

*Amen.*

## JESUS MAKES US NEW

**Theme:** *Christ Our Sanctifier*



### KEY VERSE

*"And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth."*

—John 17:19, NASB

### Set Apart for Something Special

Have you ever been chosen for something important? Maybe you were picked to be the line leader, to help pass out snacks, or to pray in class. When someone chooses you, it means they see something special in you.

Did you know that God chose you too?

The Bible says that before you were even born, God had a plan for your life. He made you on purpose—and for a purpose! He wants your life to shine for Him in a world that doesn't always know what's good or true.

But we can't live that way on our own. We still mess up, say unkind things, and think selfish thoughts. That's why Jesus not only saves us—He also changes us. That's what it means when we say Jesus is **Christ our Sanctifier**. It's a big word, but it means that Jesus makes us holy and sets us apart to live for Him.

When Jesus lived on Earth, He chose to live in a way that was completely holy—free from sin, full of truth, and totally connected to the Father. In John 17:19, Jesus prayed

for His followers and said, “I sanctify myself so that they too may be sanctified.” He was saying, “I’m setting myself apart so they can live set apart too.”

Through His Holy Spirit, Jesus helps us live differently. He teaches us how to choose what’s right, how to walk away from sin, and how to become more like Him in the way we think, talk, and act. This doesn’t happen all at once—it happens day by day as we follow Jesus and let Him work in our hearts.

This week, as we join the Alliance family in prayer, let’s ask God to keep changing us. Let’s thank Jesus for setting us apart and giving us a mission to live in a way that reflects His truth and love.



## PRAYER

*Jesus,*

*Thank You for making us new.*

*We believe You are **Christ our Sanctifier**—the One who helps us live in a way that honors God.*

*Please work in our hearts and teach us to choose what is right, even when it’s hard.*

*Help us remember that we are set apart for something special.*

*Grow Your Spirit in us so that we shine Your light in the world.*

*Amen.*

## JESUS HEALS OUR HEARTS

**Theme:** *Christ Our Healer*



### KEY VERSE

*"Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering . . . by His wounds we are healed."*

—Isaiah 53:4-5

### The One Who Understands

Have you ever been hurt? Maybe you scraped your knee, had a headache, or felt sick in bed. Or maybe you felt a different kind of pain—the kind that comes when someone leaves you out, says something mean, or when you're feeling really sad.

Pain comes in all shapes and sizes. And guess what? Jesus knows exactly what that feels like.

When Jesus lived on Earth, He saw people who were hurting. And He didn't ignore them—He stopped and helped. He healed people who were sick, made blind eyes see, and even raised people from the dead! But more than that, He healed hearts. Jesus brought peace, joy, and hope where there was fear and sadness.

Isaiah 53 says that Jesus "took up our pain and bore our suffering." That means He carried all the hurt in the world—even the kind we can't always see. When He died on the Cross, He didn't just save us from sin—He also made a way for our hearts to be healed. He understands everything we go through.

Sometimes Jesus heals us right away. Other times, healing takes time—or happens in our hearts and not our bodies. But no matter what, we are never alone. Jesus is always with us, and His grace is always enough.

This week, as we join the Alliance family in prayer, we remember that Jesus is **Christ our Healer**. Let's pray for those who are sick, sad, or hurting. Let's believe that Jesus still heals—and ask Him to give peace to every hurting heart.



## PRAYER

*Jesus,*

*Thank You for caring about every part of us.*

*We believe You are **Christ our Healer**—the One who brings hope, peace, and healing to broken hearts and hurting bodies.*

*Please help anyone who is sick or sad today.*

*Be close to those who feel alone.*

*We trust You to heal, and we know You are always with us.*

*Thank You for being our Helper, our Healer, and our Friend.*

*Amen.*



## JESUS WILL COME AGAIN

**Theme:** *Christ Our Coming King*



### KEY VERSE

*"He who testifies to these things says, 'Yes, I am coming soon.'  
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus"  
—Revelation 22:20*

## The Promise of the King

Have you ever waited for something really exciting? Maybe a birthday party, a trip to visit family, or a special friend coming over. The waiting can feel long—but the moment they arrive? Worth it.

Jesus made us a promise that is even more exciting than any party or trip: He promised He will come back.

The Bible tells us that after Jesus rose from the dead, He spent time with His disciples and then returned to heaven. But before He left, He gave us a promise—He would come back again—not as a baby, but as King.

That's why we call Him **Christ our Coming King**.

Jesus is preparing a place for all who believe in Him, and one day, He will return to make everything right. No more pain. No more tears. No more brokenness. He will rule with justice and peace, and all who love Him will live with Him forever.

We don't know exactly when He will come, but we do know this: He keeps every promise. Until that day, Jesus wants us to live with hope, to share His love with others, and to be ready. Ready doesn't mean perfect—it means we're following Him, trusting Him, and living each day with our eyes on eternity.

This week, as our Alliance family prays together, we remember that Jesus is coming soon. Let's thank Him for His promise, and let's ask Him to help us live with joy, hope, and purpose as we wait for our Coming King.



## PRAYER

*Jesus,*

*Thank You for the promise that You will come again.*

*We believe You are **Christ our Coming King**, and we trust that You are preparing a forever home for us.*

*Help us to live with hope and joy while we wait.*

*Help us tell others about You so they can be ready too.*

*We love You, King Jesus. Come quickly.*

*Amen.*

## JESUS SENDS US ON MISSION

**Theme:** *Christ and His Mission*



### KEY VERSE

*"Go and make disciples of all nations . . . and surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

—Matthew 28:19-20

### You Have a Mission

Have you ever been given a special job to do? Maybe your teacher picked you to lead the line or your coach gave you a role on the team. When someone trusts you with a job, it means they believe in you.

Jesus has given us a job, too, and it is the most important mission in the world.

Before Jesus returned to heaven, He gave His disciples a clear command. He said, "Go and make disciples of all nations." That means go and help people know Him, follow Him, and love Him. This mission is not just for grown-ups or pastors. It is for everyone who believes in Jesus, and that includes you.

Jesus came to save the world from sin, but He did not stop there. He invites us to join Him in what He is doing. We get to be part of His mission to tell others the good news. That can look like sharing a Bible story with a friend, praying for someone who is hurting, or showing kindness when it is hard. When we do that, we are living on mission.

The best part is that we do not have to do this alone. Jesus said, “I am with you always.” That means He gives us the strength, courage, and words we need right when we need them.

This week, as we pray with our Alliance family, we remember that Christ and His mission is not just a story from the Bible. It is a calling for today. Jesus is still reaching people all around the world, and He wants to use us to help. You are part of His plan.



## PRAYER

*Jesus,*

*Thank You for inviting us to be part of what You are doing in the world.*

*We believe You came to save people from sin and give them hope.*

*You gave us a mission, and we want to say yes.*

*Help us be brave, kind, and full of Your love as we tell others about You.*

*Thank You for always being with us.*

*Amen.*

## JESUS BUILDS HIS CHURCH

**Theme:** *Christ and His Church*



### KEY VERSE

*"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses . . . to the ends of the earth."*

—Acts 1:8

### Part of Something Big

What comes to your mind when you hear the word “church”? Do you think of a building with pews and a cross? A classroom with your Bible teacher? A big room where people sing songs to God?

All of those things can be part of the church. But the church is not really about the building—it is about the people.

The Bible tells us that the Church is the family of God. It is made up of people who follow Jesus, love each other, and work together to share His message with the world. And that means if you believe in Jesus, you are part of His Church. That is a really big deal!

Jesus said He would build His Church and that nothing could stop it. Not fear, not darkness, not even the enemy. He gives us His Holy Spirit so we have the power to live for Him and be His witnesses everywhere we go.

Being part of the Church means we do not follow Jesus alone. We learn

together, worship together, serve together, and grow stronger together. And every person has an important role to play—kids too. Whether you are helping a friend, praying for others, or inviting someone to church, you are doing the work of the Church.

This week, as we finish our 40 Days of Prayer with the Alliance family, we remember that Christ and His Church are still on the move. Jesus is still building something beautiful, and He invites us to be a part of it.



## PRAYER

*Jesus,*

*Thank You for building Your Church.*

*We believe that the Church is Your people, working together to share Your love and truth.*

*Please help us be faithful, strong, and kind.*

*Thank You for making a place for us to belong.*

*Use us to help others know You and to build something beautiful for Your Kingdom.*

*Amen.*