

Dear Parents and Grandparents,

The Lord's Prayer Coloring Book was created to help children learn about prayer through Jesus' example of how to pray The Lord's Prayer.

It is extremely important to teach children to pray early in life. Young children are capable of developing a faith in the formative years that will hold them steady through the inevitable storms of adolescence and indeed, for the rest of their lives. I was five years old when I began praying. My husband, Jim, actually learned to pray before he began to talk, imitating the sounds made by his parents during their family devotions.

When parents model prayer in the home, children will naturally follow their example. I can think of no greater gift that could be offered to our impressionable children than this early relationship with Jesus. That's why we have created this coloring book and another exciting prayer resource, My Family's Prayer Calendar. These resources will help parents and kids come together in prayer every day, making prayer a meaningful family activity.

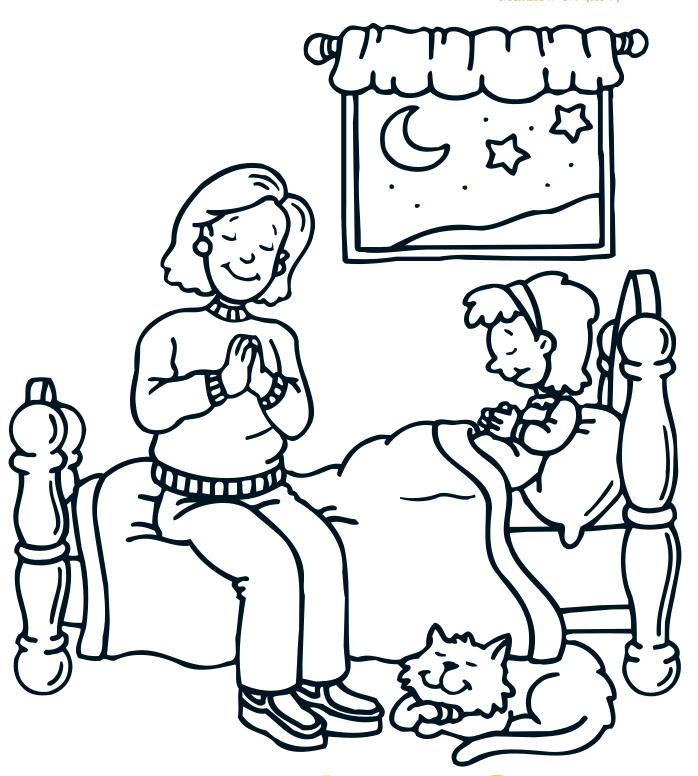
It is my prayer that your kids will enjoy coloring in this book, and sharing in the joys of prayer.

Bless you as you teach your kids to talk with their Heavenly Father!

Chairman, National Day of Prayer Task Force

OUR FATHER WHICH ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME.

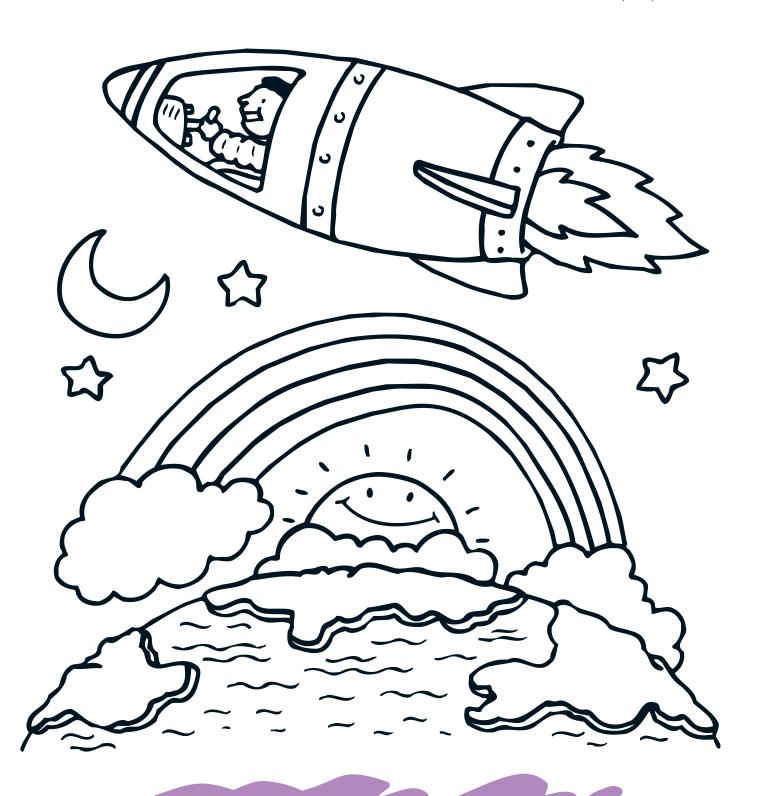
Matthew 6:9 (KJV)



These words are the beginning of a prayer Jesus taught us. It's called the Lord's Prayer. "Hallowed" means holy or perfect. God is our perfect heavenly Father who loves us and takes care of us. God listens when we talk to Him. Talking to God is called prayer. What can you say to God when you go to sleep at night?

THY KINGDOM COME. THY WILL BE DONE IN EARTH, AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

Matthew 6:10 (KJV)



God created everything—the mountains and the oceans, animals and people, stars and sun and moon.

What are you especially glad that God created?

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD.

Matthew 6:11 (KJV)



Because God made us, He knows all that we need. God provides food and water to help us grow up strong and healthy. He gives us families to take care of us.

What would you like to thank God for?