

# HOOKED ON PRAYER?

**Which is true? A child who lives by prayer is 3 times as likely to succeed as an average child...30 times as likely...300 times as likely OR 3,000 times as likely???**

The correct answer is...nearly 3,500 times as likely to be listed in "Who's Who". There are of course many other ways to measure success, the number of friends you have, a happy marriage, cheerful children etc. This statistic however sort of stands out if you are a single mom trying to pay the bills and still hold on to the hope of some sort of future for your children. This statistic shows that prayer does offer that hope...hope that is often sorely needed.

Sadly most of us are prayer wimps. We have never experienced God's answers and we have no idea how to guide our children. One of the best **starting places** we know of is [www.teachustoprayer.com](http://www.teachustoprayer.com). The site and a number of articles have been featured in the Salvation Army magazine "War Cry" and over 30 other denominational magazines. **We recommend a visit.** There is nothing like getting lined up with God to improve your child's future.

The following is a true story, his story, told by an 82 year old man.

He was a volunteer prayer warrior at an Assemblies of God prayer line. I told him of my heart for the children of Divorce and he was eager to pray but first he wanted to tell me why. He said that many years ago when he was only two years old his father had taken him and his mother out into the middle of a ranch in North Dakota and left them in an unheated shack to die. It was the middle of a blizzard and the temperature was **30 degrees below zero**. Their life expectancy, especially for a two year old baby, was less than thirty minutes. They should have died. By the grace of God his Mother's Father found them.

*Even though Eighty years had passed the man said he had been cold all of his life...not the cold of a North Dakota winter but the cold of knowing his father could abandon him. The only thing, he said, that warmed him all the way through even to this moment were the first two words of The Lord's Prayer ...Our Father...which he usually changed to ... MY Father. He said that without the Lord's Prayer and The Lord he would have given up many times.*

**We invite you again to visit [www.teachustoprayer.com](http://www.teachustoprayer.com) and get your children started on the adventure of a lifetime.**