

Dear parents)- Aside from salvation God's greatest gift to us is probably prayer. Sadly very few of adult or child have even taken it for a test drive. We quit before getting our answer and park prayer along the side of the road for the rest of our lives. Just like riding and bike and reading prayer must be learned in childhood. Our children need our help. We hope that each parent or grandparent reading this message will visit our sister website www.teachustoprayer.ws. A good place to start is "Prayer Jar", which can be found by clicking on the take home sheets. May God bless you and keep you and make his face to shine upon you.

In the morning I will lay my requests before you. Psalm 5:3	If...my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish. John 15:7	I know the plans I have for you... Jeremiah 29:11	Call to me and I will answer you. Jeremiah 33:3
O you who hear prayer, all men will come to you.. Psalm 65:2	Who trusts in him will never be put to shame. Romans 10:11	My Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. John 16:23	The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16
Call him Immanuel which means God with us. Matt. 1:23	he hears the prayer of the righteous. Proverbs 15:29	And lead us not into temptation. Matt: 6:13	We live by Faith. 2 Cor. 5:7
pray for each other so that you may be healed. James 5:16	anything we ask, because we obey his commands ... 1 John 3:22	your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you. Matthew 6:6	Then you will call and the Lord will answer; Isaiah 58:9
I am with you always. Matthew 28:20	Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find ...Matthew 6:7	He will respond to the prayer of the destitute. Psalm 102:17	If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 1 John 5:14
he will deliver the needy who cry out. Psalm 72:12	Your kingdom come, your will be done. Matt: 6:10	Pray Continually. 1 Thes. 5:17	Forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors. Matt:6:12
You may ask me for anything in my name and I will do it. John 14:14	Let the word of Christ Dwell in you richly. Colossians 3:16	He rewards those who earnestly seek him. Hebrews 11:6	the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9
you will cry for help and he will say: Here am I. Isaiah 58:9	He gives strength to the weary ...Isaiah 40:29	According to your faith will it be done to you. Matt: 9:29	the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well. James 5:14
Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence. Hebrews 4:16	Heal me O Lord and I will be healed. Jeremiah 17:14	Add to your faith goodness. 2 Peter 1:5	The Lord is my helper...Hebrews 13:6

WHY WE BELIEVE OUR COLORING PAGES AND POCKET SCRIPTURES COULD CHANGE YOUR CHURCH THE NATION AND THE WORLD OVERNIGHT!!!

*Carrying a scripture with them increases a child's sense of **EXPECTATION** that God will make it real. No amount of pure memorization can accomplish this.

*The first thing anyone who works with children learns is that there is never enough of you to go around to all the children. When faced with this inevitable problem...a child in need of personal attention...we can give them a sheet of pocket scriptures fitted to their FELT NEED: fear, anger, loneliness etc. and we trust God will stand by his word.

*For children, especially the children of divorce, the pocket scriptures also provide a sense of IDENTITY...even a sense of group identity if they know all the children in their church are also carrying a pocket scripture each day of the week.

*Point number four is that our pocket scriptures are rarely if ever a complete verse. We ask the parents to help the children look up the second half of the verse. It gives a child the FEEL of a Bible in their hands. It gives parents a **starting place** in their role as spiritual leaders. Taking two minutes a day to look up just one bible verse is something almost any parent can handle. Such a simple thing can have BIG results because God does all the heavy lifting. This humble beginning is something local pastors can build on, a way to INVOLVE parents.

*It is God's command in Deut. 11:19, 'Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds: tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to you children when you sit at home...so that your days and the days of your children will be many.' These words were written 3,000 years BP (before pockets). They are an old idea, God's idea. They make me think of the children in my first class of preschoolers especially the four who died before the age of 18. I have no way of knowing if a scripture in their pocket would have saved their lives but I believe with all my heart that: **Pocket Scriptures are the least we can do...THE VERY VERY VERY LEAST.**

*Putting our coloring pages out in doctors offices and auto repair waiting rooms with an invitation to visit your church could be an open door to church growth.

How we pray you will share our dream with others. Could you email the links to a friend or sister church. The links are www.homeword.ws and www.mypocketscriptures.com.