

# FAMILY PRAYER GUIDE #4

John 15:13

Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down His life for His friends.

## Hello God

Think for a moment about how much God loves you.

Think about the things He has done for you.

God made the air you are breathing.

God brought you safely through the night.

Thank God for all the thing He has done for you and don't forget to think Him for Jesus.

## Getting Started, Being Honest

God does love us, and He has done so many things for us. As you prepare your heart and mind to encounter All-Mighty God take a moment and ask Him to forgive you. Is there something specific you need to mention, if so, do it now.

## Praise and Thanks

A minute ago, I asked you to praise and thank God for all He has done for you, now I want you to praise and give thanks for Him.

Tell God how great He is.

Tell God how much you love Him.

## Focusing Your Mind, Heart, and Spirit

### **Psalm 28:7 ESV**

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.

How has God been your shield?

How does God strengthen you?

When have you experienced that?

What does it mean to trust God in your heart?

Are you doing that?

Take a moment and think about this verse then ask God to do all these things mentioned in your life.



## Pray God Size Prayers

Is there a really big thing God is asking you to do which requires you to make Him your strength and your shield? If so, pray about that right now. Surrender yourself to what He is asking you to do.

## Your Requests

As you pray about things going on in your life let the truth that God is our strength and our shield help form the words you say.

Would your request be any different?

## Praying for Others

Think through the people you know who are not relying on God's strength but on their own. You see them struggling every day. Ask God to become their strength and their shield.

## Closing Thoughts

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Notice the part which is underlined. How has God helped you? And after He has helped you, did you respond in "song" or at least a "thank you."

Go ahead and thank God for the ways He has helped you. If you can come up with a song, sing it.

