## Pray God's Word Over Your Children

## FRIDAY

(Today, children face so many challenges that you never had to face growing up. They are in desperate need of prayer - especially from their parents. It is with this in mind that we share this devotional series with you to encourage and assist you in seeking God's protection and guidance for your children or grandchildren each day.

When we pray the Scriptures, you can be sure that you are praying according to God's will. The Word of God is living and active, and a powerful means of expressing your loving care and concern as a parent to your Father in Heaven.

Each day's devotion features a Scripture passage upon which to meditate, a short devotional, and words of prayer that you can pray as you bring the children in your life before the Lord.

May God bless you as you pray for your beloved children!)

## **Obedience**

"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. . . Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden ..." (Hebrews 13:17).

In a world that says, "It's cool to be a rebel. Do your own thing. Swim upstream. Follow your heart. Fight the establishment. You are the captain of your own ship," Jesus says, "*If you love Me, keep My commandments*". (John 14:15).

Our pride keeps us from submitting to God and to those who are in authority over us. But contrary to our line of reasoning, the truth is that there is freedom in obedience. As we align our will to God's and allow him to have his way, we find that there is a joy and a peace that is unexplainable.

How do we teach this to the children in our lives? By modeling it. As they see us submit to God and to our leaders, they will undoubtedly see the blessing that comes from God's order of doing things.

## Praying The Scripture:

Dear Jesus, I would like to pray Hebrews 13:17 right now for my children and grandchildren. I pray that they would obey leaders, including parents and grandparents, teachers, coaches, and anyone else whom You have placed over them. Help us to submit to authority so that our work would be a joy and not a burden, to model godly obedience and to demonstrate our love for You by obediently doing what You have called us to do.

These things we humbly pray in the name of our precious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

Amen.