

# Praise the Lord

*Praise*  
and give thanks to  
*the*  
*Lord*

## Hallowed be thy name

### Psalm 100


*Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands*

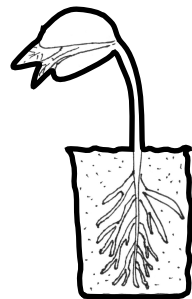
*Serve the Lord with gladness:*

*Come before His presence with singing*

## Prayer Point Focus

### *Leader's Lesson Overview*

- Continue with the Lord's Prayer focusing on Hallowed be Thy Name. (Praise)
- A heart that understands God's love for them, praise and worship is a natural reaction.
- **Praise is the perfect preparation for our prayers.**
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- Fertilizer (spiritual nutrients) for our spiritual plant: Prayer, study, seeking God's face, church, etc. These are like Miracle Grow for the spiritual plant, but God does the growing.
- Praise takes the focus off of ourselves and puts it on the Lord.
-  [See a testimony of praise here.](https://www.kingdomkidsontheirknees.com/blog/call-charlie)  
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### *Preparation*

## Talk to the King - Praise the Lord

This is a basic format. You can use these in any order or choose what works for you.



### Come Into His Presence

#### MEMORY VERSE

- Psalm 100:1-2

*Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands Serve the Lord with gladness: Come before His presence with singing.*

#### SONG SUGGESTIONS

- Psalm 100
- Come Into His Presence - Round
- \_\_\_\_\_

### Kingdom Kid Pledge

I'm a Kingdom Kid  
and I'm here to say,  
I'm living my life  
in a brand new way!

#### SCRIPTURE STORY -David praises the Lord



### Enter the Gates (opening prayers)

Have a couple of people say an opening prayer. Remember to thank the Lord for His love and sending His son, Jesus.

### Prayers for the Church

At church: You could write the names of those participating in the service on cards and have different children pray for those people. On the other side of the card, write suggestions of what to pray if they need help knowing what to pray.

At home: You could find out the names of those participating ahead of time and hold them up in prayer during the week. Maybe even send them a text or card saying, "We are praying for you!"

### Prayer Requests and Praise Reports

Pray for each other or any needs they know about.

Encourage them to be bold in their prayers. The God of the universe is interested in their prayers. After all, Kingdom Kids was HIS idea!

Prayer requests \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Keep track of prayers and answers to prayer.

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## Prayer Point: Praise the Lord

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven ( **I** )

**Hallowed be thy name.** ( **P**raise)

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth,  
as it is done in heaven. ( **Y**ield)

Give us this day, our daily bread ( **A**sk)  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive

those who trespass against us. ( **R**epent)

And suffer us not to be led into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. ( **A**sk)

For thine is the kingdom ( **Y**ield)

**and the glory and power for**

**ever and ever.** Amen. ( **P**raise)

One way to teach prayer is through the Lord's Prayer. It has 5 different topics.

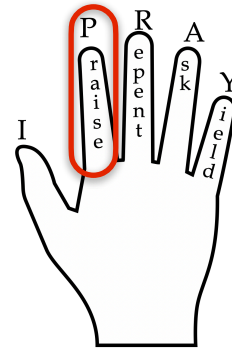
I - Who are we praying to (Our Father) and who am I? (His beloved child)

P - Praise

R- Repent and Forgive

A- Ask (supplications)

Y- Yield



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- Jesus gave us the Lord's Prayer to teach us how to pray.
- Say Lord's prayer together with children. Focus on **"Hallowed be thy name"**
- Begin to discuss what it means.
- Add Praise to your prayer hand. Notice that Praise without the P says "raise". When we praise, we raise someone up.
- You could help the kids pretend someone they really respect and admire came into the room. What would their reaction be? I used the example of Patrick Mahomes after he won the Super Bowl. That really got their attention!
- What would you say to him/her?

You are wonderful!

\_\_\_\_\_. you are a great quarterback! You are beautiful or handsome or talented or nice or ...

Skit - Child: Shhh! I'm saying my prayers.

## Praise the Lord Skit

PRAISE Skit

Characters

1. Child (seen)      2. GOD (unseen)

Stage Setting • No particular setting is necessary, but you could have props: a large cut out heart, a small plant, a watering can and a lantern or light.

**Child:** *Our Father, who art in heaven.*

**GOD:** Yes?

**Child:** Oh, hello! I'm praying again.

**GOD:** I know. I'm here. Go on.

**Child:** *Hallowed be thy name...*

**GOD:** Thank you.

**Child:** You're welcome. Wait. Thank you for what?

**GOD:** You said, "*Hallowed be thy name*"? Do you know what it means?

**Child:** It means...it means.... I don't really know. It's just part of the prayer. (pause) What does it mean?

**GOD:** It means honored, holy, wonderful.

**Child:** Oh, that makes sense. You are all of those things! So, it's like...ummm, praise?

**GOD:** Yes! Praise. Praise is an important part of prayer.

**Child:** Why is praise important? Why can't I just say what I want?

**GOD:** You can, but, you can hear me better when you are thinking only of me. I want you to be near to me so I can help you with everything.

**Child:** I don't understand. You are always near me, right? You said your love is everywhere.

**GOD:** Yes. It is, and I am. One of my friends wrote: "*Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise.*"

**Child:** Enter into gates? Courts? What does that mean?



**GOD:** Remember that I am the King in Heaven? When you pray and praise me, it's like coming into my throne room with the right attitude instead of just barging in.

**Child:** Oh! I never thought about it like that! So, praise helps us enter into Your throne room?

**GOD:** Yes. Praise is the perfect preparation for your prayers.

**Child:** Wow! The perfect preparation for my prayers. I love it! Wait, — remember last time, when you said my heart was like a garden for seeds? Is praise important for my heart?

**GOD:** That's a good question! Praise is like water that softens the seed of my spirit in your heart and it grows up to the light.

**Child:** Let's see. Praise is like water that softens the seed and it grows up to the light.

Oooh, I know who the light is! Jesus! Jesus said that He's the "Light of the World"!

**GOD:** Jesus IS the light! You've been reading my love letters to you!

**Child:** Yes, I have! They're helping me know you and Jesus better.

**GOD:** I'm so glad. So, how about preparing your heart before going on the rest of your prayer? It will power up my spirit in you and bring you closer to me.

**Child:** I'm...I'm not really sure how.

**GOD:** Have you noticed my love for you more since the last time we talked?

**Child:** Yes—yes I have.

**GOD:** Then just tell me. You can say, "God, you are loving." Or, "God you are good." Just open your heart and tell me how much you love me. I love to hear what you have noticed. Did you see the sunset I painted for you last night?

**Child:** Yes, You are an amazing artist!

**GOD:** And, did you notice the hymn that went through your mind last night when you couldn't sleep? Did you have food to eat and a warm place to sleep? Those were just a few of my many gifts to you.

**Child:** Oh thank you Father! You are a good gift giver! You are mighty and wonderful and holy and .... and.... and...(to the audience) Can you help me?

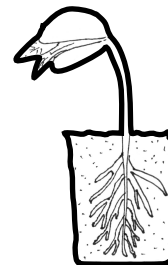
*What are some more words to praise God? Let's help her/him with words to praise the Lord.*

### Put it into Practice - watering the seed of the spirit

Review the names of God from the first lesson. Use the cross banner you made.

Ask if the children if they have been noticing ways that God shows His love and the gifts he gave them. Practice praise with: “Our father who art in Heaven, holy is your name! You are \_\_\_\_\_” (good, holy, my creator, wonderful...)

“Thank you God for this day! You are \_\_\_\_\_”



### Popcorn Praise

Have a time that the kids can share their testimonies and praise. They can “pop up” and praise God or tell a praise report. Just remind them that if someone pops up at the same time to take turns.

### Activity

The easiest way to begin to praise is through song. Psalm 100 is a great scripture song.

Many times, the introit or the beginning songs of a service are praise songs.

Use campfire songs, hymns or familiar worship songs.

You might work together to find a tune for a favorite scripture of praise. Psalms is a good place to start. Some examples of scriptures put to music are [here](#).



### Project

This is a picture from a blog called Fully Alive. You could use this as a starting point for a craft project. You could use fingerprints or stamps for the flowers, and butterflies.

<http://kids4crafts.blogspot.com/2009/03/fingerprint-bugs.html>.

The kids could make this craft to give to share God’s praise with someone else.



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## Praise the Lord!

### Psalm 100:1-2

1. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.
2. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.



### Psalm 100 Song

1.  
 Make a joyful noise unto the Lord,  
 All ye, all ye lands.  
 Serve the Lord, the Lord with gladness;  
 Come before his presence with singing.

CHORUS (sing after each verse)  
 Hallelujah, glory hallelujah (praise God) 2x  
 Hallelujah, glory hallelujah! 2x

2.  
 Know ye that the Lord he is God;  
 It is he, he that hath made us,  
 And not we ourselves;  
 We are his people and the sheep of His pasture.

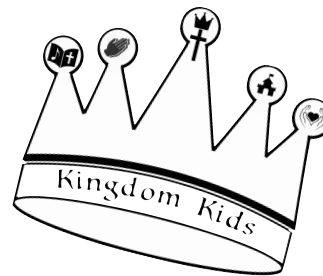
3.  
 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving,  
 And into His courts with praise;  
 Be thankful unto Him,  
 And bless, bless His name.

4.  
 For the the Lord, the Lord is good;  
 His mercy is everlasting;  
 And His truth, his truth endureth  
 To all generations.

CHORUS  
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 Hallelujah, glory hallelujah! 2x  
 Praise God!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HXxMck9Q-YA&feature=youtu.be>

### Prayer Points for Parents



Hello Parents!

Today at Kingdom Kids we talked about PRAISE.

The Lord's Prayer begins with praise and is an example of how we should pray.

*Our Father who art in heaven*

***Hallowed be thy name. (Praise)***

In Psalms 100 it says,

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#### *K Kid Challenge*

Practice prayers of praise during your family prayer time or on your own.

Notice the difference when you focus your prayers on Jesus rather than just asking for your needs.

You could start by saying, "God you are \_\_\_\_\_. I love you because you \_\_\_\_\_."