

Encounter with
ABBA
At your home



Practicing the Lord's Prayer as a family

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INTRODUCTION

The Upper Room was the place where the Lord met with the disciples. The Upper Room was filled with Jesus's words and with prayers. In Jesus's time, the Temple was used for buying, selling and stealing instead of being use as a house of prayer so, Jesus had to find another place to pray with his followers, the Upper Room. His spirit descended there and the Upper Room trembled with his presence. God commissioned his disciples to take the Gospel from the Upper Room to all nations.

That Upper Room is reproduced in every church and in every house when they become Houses of Prayer.

Let us work together with one purpose; that every church and every house around the world may become a House of Prayer. (Isaiah 56:7 - NKJV)

We will teach families to pray together by providing them with devotionals and other helpful materials. We will teach fathers to be the spiritual family leader to guide them in prayer and teach them the Word of God. This is something that must be done in order to strengthen the family bond and to make sure the upcoming generation remains faithful to God. (Malachi 4:6 - NKJV)

Children have the need to belong and to feel loved; these needs can be fully met only when they encounter God's unconditional love. God reveals Himself as a Father through our Lord Jesus Christ and pour his Spirit of adoption which cries Abba Father on us, so kids who received Christ as their savior, understand that they become children of God, are loved by Him and belong to God's family.

The purpose of the Abba Houses of Prayer is to reach every home with these teachings and through the castle the children will receive again and again this love and will learn to fight against the spirit of orphanhood that wants to keep them captive.

In order to teach this truth to our children, we need humble parents who are willing to receive it first to make it a reality in their lives and in the lives of their children every weekly encounter.

We pray that your family will become a house of prayer and that this journal may be a seed for revival.

With love

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OUR FATHER

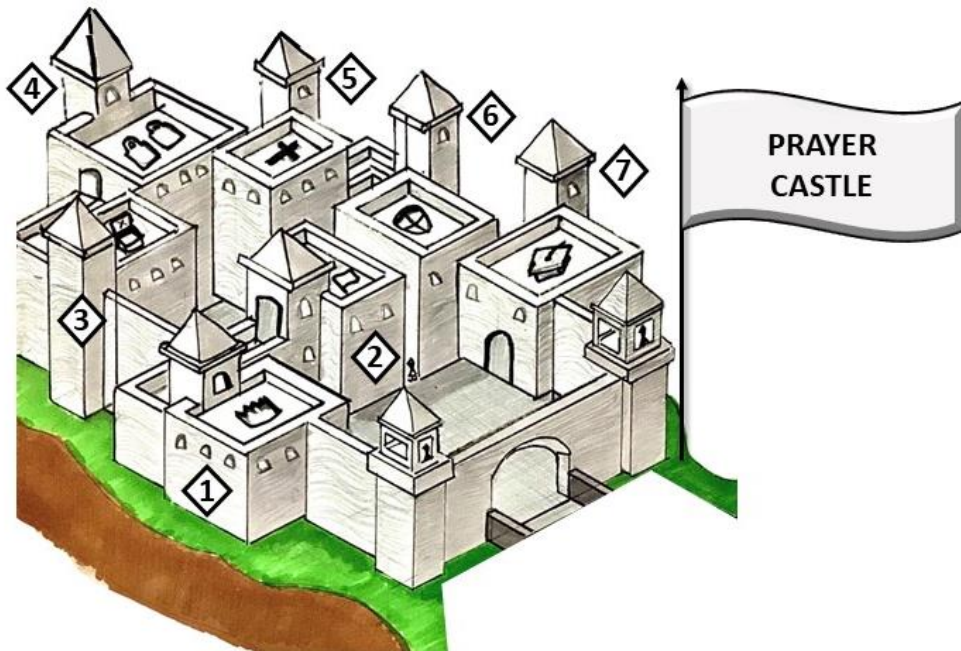
The Lord's Prayer is the pattern that Jesus left for us to use when we pray.

One day his disciples said to Jesus, "Lord, teach us to pray," and He said to them, "All right, I will teach you to pray," and so He began:

"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV 1995)

We will use this prayer to learn how to pray as a family. Family prayer time can be a lot of fun, especially if we pretend that the Lord's Prayer is a seven-room castle and you visit a room every day of the week to get to know God and to get closer to Him.

We encourage you to take your children by the hand and enjoy prayer. Make it the best family adventure ever, let's get started!



PRAYING IS TALKING AND LISTENING

ABBA always speaks to us through his Word.

The first thing children will do when they enter a room will be; listen. For the listening part they will have a verse each day.

The second thing children will do is; talk to God about everything they have learned through prayer. They will also have the opportunity to write it down if they have the ability to write.

WEEK ONE





Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, 'Abba, Father!'"

Galatians 4:6 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Why is that we can call God, "Father"?

Father we thank you for allowing us to become your children. We as earthly fathers may fail because we are imperfect, but you Father God keep loving us no matter what we do. You always understand us and you know what is best for our family...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 2 - Hallowed be Thy Name

Elohim - "Mighty Creator God".

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth was a formless and desolate emptiness, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters."

Genesis 1:1-2 (NASB)

We pray as a family

What was the Spirit of God doing?

Elohim we declare that your name is holy. Your whole creation speaks about you, your creativity has no limits, and you gave the elephant a long trunk and the leopard its spots. With your arm you measured the depths of the ocean and the mountains arose...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit".

Romans 14:17 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

What matters in ABBA's kingdom? Who help us do what matters to ABBA?

Remind me, Father (because I easily forget), that your kingdom is not founded on the things of this world...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 5 - Just as we forgive our debtors

"And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses".

Mark 11:25 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Who should we forgive today?

Whenever we come to you as a family to ask you for something, remind us first to forgive all those who have hurt us....

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

WEEK TWO





Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"And we have known and believed the love that God has for us, God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him."

1 John 4:16 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Why should we love our brothers?

ABBA we want to live as a family inside your love, as if your love was a little house where we enter every day. Don't let me forget that you are loving, patient, and kind, you are not selfish, and not easily angered. God please don't remember my faults, don't let me rejoice in injustices, but rejoice in the truth. You always protect us, you always wait for us...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



**Day 2 - Hallowed be Thy Name
El Emunah - "The faithful God".**

"He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright is He."

Deuteronomy 32:4 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

What does it mean to be faithful?

ABBA, your love for us never changes, even when we misbehave or fail you. You never stop loving us or waiting for us with open arms, you are a Faithful Father. In your word we find your promises and you always fulfill them...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

Horizontal lines for writing the prayer.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And his name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Isaiah 9:6 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Who did ABBA send to rule the world and give us peace?

Jesus prince of peace, you are worthy of our praise. Only when we mention your name you fill us with tranquility, you are the only one who knows what is needed for us to have order and tranquility in our home. We will adore you forever...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 4 - Give us our daily bread

"And Abraham named that place The Lord Will Provide, as it is said to this day, 'On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided'".

Genesis 22:14 (NASB)

We pray as a family

Who meet all of our needs?

Father forgive us because we put our trust in people, and we get distressed when we have problems, teach us to trust in your provision and protection only. You always watch over our needs. Lord we worship you today because you are our provider....

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Forgive us

"And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world."

1 John 2:2 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Why does ABBA forgive our sins?

Thank you, Jesus, for the perfect sacrifice you made for us on the cross, for your unconditional love, for cleansing our lives from sin...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 6 - Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil

"Blessed are you, Israel; Who is like you, a people saved by the Lord, The shield of your help, And He who is the sword of your majesty! So your enemies will cringe before you, And you will trample on their high places".

Deuteronomy 33:29 (NASB)

We pray as a family

Who is your protector?

Father thank you for helping our family when we need it, thank you for your protection as well. Forgive us when we don't stand behind your shield and don't put you first in our lives. You said that if we seek first your kingdom and it's righteousness we will receive all the things we need, including your protective shield...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 7 - For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory.

"LORD, my strength and my fortress, my refuge in time of distress, to you the nations will come from the ends of the earth and say, 'Our ancestors possessed nothing but false gods, worthless idols that did them no good. Do people make their own gods? Yes, but they are not gods!'"

Jeremiah 16:19.20 (NASB)

We pray as a family

Who is our fortress and refuge?

You are my strength and my fortress. Father you are my refuge when I am afraid, to you the nations will come, one day all will kneel before you because they will recognize that you are our only fortress. You are my wall of defense, you are my protection, in you I find all I need for my heart to be at peace. When I am in trouble you are with me. Forgive me because I do not praise you as I should when you protect us from so many dangers...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

WEEK THREE



I am made of clay!
Mold me, Lord!



Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"But now, O Lord, you are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; And all we are the work of your hand".

Isaiah 64:8 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you recognize ABBA as your creator?

Dear ABBA, as a family, we want to be a vessel you can use for your glory. We put our lives in your hands so that you can mold them to your liking, make us a new ...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



**Day 2 - Hallowed be Thy Name
He EYON - "God Most High".**

"Then they remembered that God was their rock, And the Most High God their Redeemer.."

Psalm 78:35 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Is ABBA your protector and deliverer?

ABBA, we trust that you will keep us from all distress. You always protect us and give us the strength we need, our praise will always be for you....

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

Series of horizontal lines for writing.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding. God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne."

Psalm 47:7-8 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you think ABBA reigns today and forever?

Your greatness and majesty will reign forever, Lord. You never fail. Teach us each day to trust in you, and to be part of your kingdom....

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 4 - Give us our daily bread

"The young lions lack and suffer hunger; But those who seek the LORD shall not lack any good thing."

Psalm 34:10 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Who is your supplier?

ABBA, the riches that we find in you are different from the earthly ones, we trust that you will always supply our needs...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 5 - Just as we forgive our debtors

"And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you."

Ephesians 4:32 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Is it easy for me to forgive people?

ABBA, teach me to look at people with eyes of love, and to have mercy on them so that I may forgive as you forgive me...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 6 - Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil

"No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."

1 Corinthians 10:13 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do I trust God to help me with temptations?

We place at your feet the temptations that may arise and we trust that you will give us the victory over them...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 7 - For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory.

"The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty; The LORD is clothed, He has girded Himself with strength. Surely the world is established, so that it cannot be moved."

Psalm 93:1 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Who rules your life?

ABBA, as a family, we lay our lives at your feet, we acknowledge your majesty and greatness...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

WEEK FOUR





Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God".

John 1:11-12 (NLT)

We pray as a family

Have you accepted the Word of God as part of your life?

Beloved ABBA, our heart longs for your Word to be in first place in our family. Help us to know you more each day through it, help us to discover your will and all the promises you have for us, give us thirst and hunger for your Word...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 2 - Hallowed be Thy Name JEHOVAH-RAFAH - "The Lord heals".

"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."

Psalms 147:3 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you think ABBA can heal your wounds?

ABBA we lay our wounds at your feet, we give them to you so that you may heal them with your love and forgiveness, and so you teach us to live in freedom. You are our hope and refuge, our peace and consolation....

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"Jesus answered and said to him, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God'."

John 3:3 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Have we understood the new birth?

Lord, show us if we have really understood the meaning of "being born again", help us to forget everything that separates us from you, and strengthen us to continue on the path of sanctification to be part of your kingdom...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 4 - Give us our daily bread

"And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:19 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Are you grateful to ABBA?

ABBA thank you for all that you have given us and will give us. Thank you for listening to our requests and providing for all our needs, please allow us to share your blessings with others...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 5 - Just as we forgive our debtors

"For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you."

Matthew 6:14 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you feel that is difficult to forgive?

Lord, soften our hearts to forgive those who hurt us, remove all resentment from our hearts and show us your mercy...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

A series of 22 horizontal lines for writing the prayer.



Day 6 - Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil

"God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him."

James 1:12 (NLT)

We pray as a family

What are you doing to resist temptation?

Lord, help us to have spiritual discipline to resist temptation. Teach us to persevere every day so we don't sin. Help us to make good decisions that bring us closer to you...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



**Day 7 - For thine is the Kingdom, the Power,
and the Glory.**

*"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty;
For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You
are exalted as head over all "*

1 Chronicles 29:11 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you know who ABBA is?

*Great and majestic are you ABBA. All that we are and all that we have belongs to you,
we recognize that without you we are nothing. Please drive away all selfishness and
vainglory from us...*

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

WEEK FIVE





Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will".

Ephesians 1:5 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Are you grateful to ABBA for what He did?

Thank you Lord for sending your son to die for us, thank you for your unconditional love and for thinking of us even before we were born. We, as a family, are grateful that you call us your children...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

Lined area for writing a prayer response, consisting of 20 horizontal lines.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven".

Matthew 6:10 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Who are you looking to please?

ABBA, teach us to obey you, may our lives reflect you, may we be living testimonies of your work, may our family be an example of fidelity and faith towards you...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 4 - Give us our daily bread

"The LORD is my shepherd I shall not want."

Psalm 23:1 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Have you placed your confidence in ABBA?

Dear Father, we are amazed and astonished by your provision, because of you we have everything we need, especially spiritual nourishment. You are the only one who can fill the emptiness of our heart...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 5 - Just as we forgive our debtors

"Forgive others, you will be forgiven."

Luke 6:37b (NLT)

We pray as a family

Have you learned to forgive?

Lord, do not allow resentment to contaminate our mind and heart, teach us to forgive every day as you forgive us...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 6 - Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil

"For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow."

James 1:3 (NLT)

We pray as a family

Who do you trust in times of trial?

Father we know that you allow trials in our lives to strengthen us and to remind us not to let go of your hand. We will give the glory to you always...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

Series of horizontal lines for writing.



Day 7 - For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory.

"Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty".

Psalms 104:1 (NKJV)

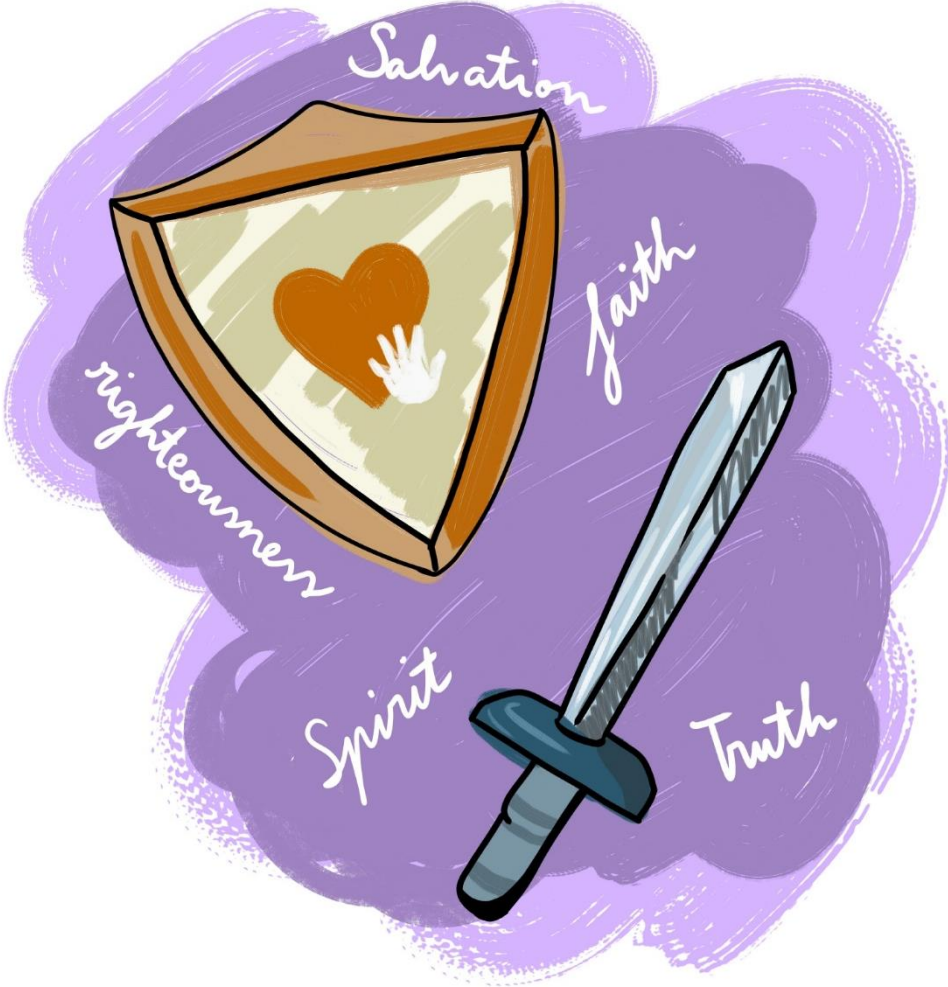
We pray as a family

To whom do you dedicate your praise and worship?

As a family, our desire should be to praise ABBA at all times. In good and bad times, we should worship God with all our hearts, recognizing that He is our Lord and savior...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

WEEK SIX





Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"and if children, then heirs-heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together."

Romans 8:17 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

What privileges do we have as children of ABBA?

ABBA, thank you for adopting us as your children and for giving us the right to all the good things you prepared for us. Give us strength in times of suffering here on earth and help us to honor you and give you the glory every day...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

Lined area for writing the prayer response, consisting of 20 horizontal lines.



**Day 2 - Hallowed be Thy Name
EL- SHADDAI - "God Almighty".**

"When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless."

Genesis 17:1 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you think ABBA is all-powerful?

ABBA, you are almighty, help us to remember this. We want to obey and exalt you as a family every day of our lives...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom."

Psalm 45:6 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

What is ABBA's kingdom like?

ABBA you are a King and your kingdom is eternal, your majesty unmatched and your power immeasurable. You are just, you always fight for the truth and your mercy overflows every day in our family....

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 4 - Give us our daily bread

"And don't be concerned about what to eat and what to drink. Don't worry about such things. These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers all over the world, but your father already knows your needs."

Luke 12:29-30 (NLT)

We pray as a family

Do you worry more than you should?

ABBA, you are a father who is always attentive to our family needs. Help us to trust you and not worry more than we should about material things...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

Lined area for writing the prayer.



Forgive us

"He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy."

Proverbs 28:13 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you confess your sins to ABBA?

ABBA we do not want to live hiding our sins, please give us the courage to confess and renounce to them. We want to enjoy your forgiveness...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 5 - Just as we forgive our debtors

"Bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do."

Colossians 3:13 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you forgive easily?

ABBA, give us patience with people; if someone hurts us, please help us to forgive him/her. We want to remember your forgiveness and use it as an example in our lives...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



**Day 7 - For thine is the Kingdom, the Power,
and the Glory.**

"And one cried to another and said: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!"

Isaiah 6:3 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you think about ABBA's holiness?

You are holy ABBA and we will remember that as a family. You are the God of Israel, you are omnipotent, the whole earth praises you...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

WEEK SEVEN





Day 1 - Our Father who art in heaven

"For you are all the sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 3:26 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

How can we be children of God?

ABBA thank you for sending Jesus because, through Him, we have access to You. We can be called children of God and have we can have an intimate relationship with you ...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 2 - Hallowed be Thy Name JEHOVAH-SHALOM - "The Lord is peace".

"The LORD lift up His face to you, and give you peace."

Numbers 6:26 (NASB)

We pray as a family

How does ABBA look at his children?

ABBA how wonderful is to know that we are the apple of your eye, and that you look at us with so much love. You fill our hearts with peace...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 3 - Thy Kingdom come and Thy will be done

"The LORD shall reign forever and ever."

Exodus 15:18 (NASB)

We pray as a family

Do you believe that ABBA is always in control?

ABBA we believe that You are in control of everything, and that You reign over all things. In the midst of every difficult situation, You are always in control...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Forgive us

"But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared."

Psalm 130:4 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you set aside time to worship ABBA?

ABBA we want our lives to be an offering of adoration and gratitude toward You, for your love and forgiveness...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 6 - Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil

"Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted."

Galatians 6:1 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Are we being led by the Holy Spirit?

ABBA thank you for giving us the Holy Spirit, we want to be filled with wisdom and self-control to overcome temptations...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.



Day 7 - For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory.

"The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork."

Psalm 19:1 (NKJV)

We pray as a family

Do you admire ABBA's creation?

ABBA you are the best artist, every detail of the creation is a reflection of your greatness and perfection...

Now it's your turn, continue the prayer.

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