



Keep his decrees and commands...so that it may go well with you and your children after you. -Deuteronomy 4:40

Theme Nights for March 2011

March 2nd
is Rainbow Night
Wear Red, Blue, Green
and Yellow

March 9th
is Ash Wednesday
NO Awana Club

March 16th
is Oink-Oink Night
Bring a Small Stuffed Pig

March 23rd
is Bookworm Night
Bring Your Favorite Book

March 30th
is Lifesaver Night
Bring a Small Roll of
Candy Lifesavers



Ten Keys to a Good Life

Praying the Ten Commandments

Lord God, You asked us to write Your commands in our memories and affections (Deut. 6:6) and to impress them on our children’s hearts and minds. Show our family today, Lord, what it means to fear You and keep Your laws so that we receive the best life has to offer (Deut. 7:12).

1. “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of...slavery. You shall have no other gods before me” (Deut. 5:6-7). May no other loyalties or affections take Your place in my children’s hearts—no other priority, hobby, ambition, possession, or person. We belong to only You!
2. “You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth...You shall not...worship them; for I...am a jealous God (vv.8-9). May my children resist any substitute objects of worship and turn away from all false beliefs. Keep my children from any pursuit—no matter how worthy—that becomes an end in itself.
3. “You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God” (v. 11). Help us to reassure and protect Your name, O Lord. In a casually profane world, keep my children sensitive about the sacredness of Your names, especially “Lord”, “God”, and “Jesus Christ”.
4. “Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy” (v. 12) May my children set aside the Lord’s Day for worship and rest and for nurturing a vital role in Your church family. Thank you for setting us free from the tyranny of work and “getting ahead”.
5. “Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you” (v.16). May our children respect and obey us as their main source for learning about life and godliness—even when we are aging and weak. And may You bless them as a result.
6. “You shall not murder” (v. 17). Help my children to revere the sanctity of all human life—including unborn and aged. And beginning now, may my children never surrender to hate, violence, or vengeance.
7. “You shall not commit adultery:” (v. 18). May my children build their relationships on integrity, purity, faithfulness, and loyalty. Protect them from pornography and promiscuity. Teach them to honor marriage as a sacred, lifelong commitment.
8. “You shall not steal” (v. 19). May my children learn early to respect the belongings of others, to value honesty, and to trust You, our Provider, to take care of their wants and needs.
9. “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor” (v. 20). Instill in my children a sincere dedication to the truth and to defending the needs of the weak.
10. “You shall not covet” (v. 21) Help my children never to measure themselves by the lives or possessions of others. Instead, may they be content with what You give and be happy when others prosper.

Lord God, thank You for Your gracious promise to bless us and our children if we follow these laws. (Deut. 7:12). We want Your covenant of love to be the measure of our lives. Amen.

-Taken from *Powerful Prayers for Your Children* by David and Heather Kopp



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