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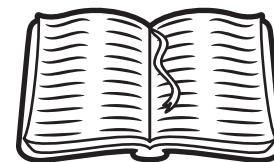
Practice saying prayers correctly. Younger children can color this picture.

- Point to Christ's eyes. What is Christ doing with his eyes? Can you close your eyes?
- Is Christ bowing His head? Bow your head.
- Is Christ being reverent?
- Is Christ kneeling? Can you kneel?



Family Home Evening Lesson

October theme:
Prayer is reverent communication between God and me.



Scripture

“If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and abraideith not; and it shall be given him.”

(James 1:5)

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Conducting _____

Opening Prayer _____

Closing Prayer _____



Song

A Child's Prayer
Children's Songbook, 12



Snack

Banana Splits

Get vanilla ice cream, chocolate sauce, sprinkles, bananas and other toppings.

Put one scoop of vanilla ice cream in a bowl. The vanilla represents a prayer. Prayers can be plain, repetitive and not very meaningful. However, if you add gratitude (chocolate sauce), personal communication ("sprinkles" of things that happened throughout your day), blessings (bananas: blessings are the fruit that make our lives better) and close in the name of Jesus Christ (the cherry on top of the banana split) then you have a much more meaningful dessert and prayer.



Lesson

Prayer

Read James 1:5 Discuss the meaning of this scripture.

- What is prayer? Who are we talking to when we pray?
- Why do we have prayer?
- Why does Heavenly Father want us to pray?
- When should we pray?

- What are the different parts of a prayer?
 - Open the prayer: Dear Heavenly Father
 - Show gratitude: What things can you say you are thankful for?
 - Talk to Heavenly Father: Tell Heavenly Father about your life. How can you have personal communication with Heavenly Father in your prayer?
 - Ask for blessings: What are good things to ask for in your prayers?
 - Close in the name of Jesus Christ: Why do we say, "in the name of Jesus Christ" at the end of the prayer?

- What is proper behavior during a prayer?
- What do we do with our bodies, arms, hands, heads?
- What things should we NOT do during a prayer?
- Why are family prayers important?
- What is the difference between family and personal prayer? Why do we need both?
- How can you make your prayers more meaningful?