

# On Family

## Scripture to Ponder and Pray



“For this reason I kneel before the Father, **from Whom every family in heaven and on earth is named**, that He may grant you in accord with the riches of His glory to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner self, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the holy ones what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him Who by the power at work in us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.” --Ephesians 3: 14 – 21

“May the God of peace Himself make you, *(insert your family member's name here)*, perfect in holiness. And may He preserve you whole and entire -- spirit, soul, and body -- irreproachable at the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.” --1 Thessalonians 5: 23

“The Lord sets a father in honor over his children and He confirms the authority of the mother over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and whoever reveres his mother is like one who lays up treasures.”  
-- Sirach 3: 2 – 4

“A good wife, who can find her? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. . . . She opens her mouth in skillful and godly wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness. . . . Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her. . . . Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.” --Proverbs 31: 10 – 31

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.” -- Deuteronomy 6: 5 – 7

“Love does not rejoice in wrong, but rejoices in the right.” -- 1 Cor. 13: 6

**MY SON, KEEP YOUR FATHER'S COMMANDMENT,  
AND FORSAKE NOT YOUR MOTHER'S TEACHING.  
BIND THEM ON YOUR HEART ALWAYS;  
TIE THEM AROUND YOUR NECK. WHEN YOU WALK,  
THEY WILL LEAD YOU; WHEN YOU LIE DOWN,  
THEY WILL WATCH OVER YOU; AND WHEN  
YOU AWAKE, THEY WILL TALK WITH YOU.  
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