A Prayer for Fathers

IS FOR FAITH

Help Dad to put his full trust in you, O LORD. Give him an unshakeable faith in Your Word. Strengthen his desire to read it, memorize it, and order his life according to Your precepts. Remind of Your promise to work all things together for good for those who love You and are called according to Your purpose. Keep him faithful, alert, and standing firm. Psalm 25:2; Psalm 100:97-100; Romans 8:28; 1 Corinthians 16:13

IS FOR ATTENTION

God, help Dad focus his attention on what truly matters. Teach him prioritize, to number his days, and to invest his time wisely. Guard him against harmful or ungodly distractions. Give him eyes to see with an eternal perspective. Fix his mind fixed on what's true, honorable, right, pure, lovely, excellent, commendable and praiseworthy. Hebrews 3:1; Psalm 90:12; 121:7; Colossians 3:1-3; Philippians 4:8

IS FOR TESTIMONY

Make Dad a man of integrity. Keep him mindful of the fact that others are watching, particularly the children you've entrusted to his care. Give him a good name and grant him the wisdom, discernment, and understanding he'll need to lead his family well. May everything he does bring honor to You and point others to Jesus. Prov. 28:18; Psalm 119:1-2; Hebrews 12:1; Prov. 2:6; 22:1; 1 Corinthians 10:31

IS FOR HEALTH

LORD, keep Dad in good health. Make his bones and muscles strong. Preserve his strength and vitality. Grant him good sleep and give him the rest he needs. Help him make good choices in areas that affect his health and either protect him against sickness and disease or give him grace to endure physical afflictions in a way that glorifies You. 3 John 1:2; Prov. 3:1-8; Is. 40:29-41; Psa. 127:2; 2 Cor. 12:8-10

IS FOR EMPLOYMENT

God, give Dad meaningful work to do and a sense of purpose. Help him enjoy & excel at his job. Make him a wise steward of the gifts, skills, talents, opportunities and money you've entrusted to him. May others be supportive and appreciative of the good work he does. Psalm 90:17; Ecclesiastes 5:18-19; Proverbs 22:29; Luke 12:42-43

IS FOR RELATIONSHIPS

Bless Dad's relationships, LORD. Fortify his family ties. Provide friends who uplift & encourage him. Help him get along with colleagues and coworkers. Most of all, strengthen his relationship to You. Give him a love for Jesus that spills out on everyone he meets. Psalm 128:1-4; Prov. 17:17;

Mark 12:30-31