

CRAFTS | DAY 4

Bible Story: The Lord's Prayer • Matthew 6:5-13

Bottom Line: You can PRAY anytime, anywhere, about anything.

Memory Verse: "Let us keep looking to Jesus. He is the one who started this journey of faith. And he is the one who completes the journey of faith." Hebrews 12:2a (NirV)

PRAYER BOOK

What You Need: Prayer book cards (provided); markers or crayons; stapler to fasten cards into booklet (optional).

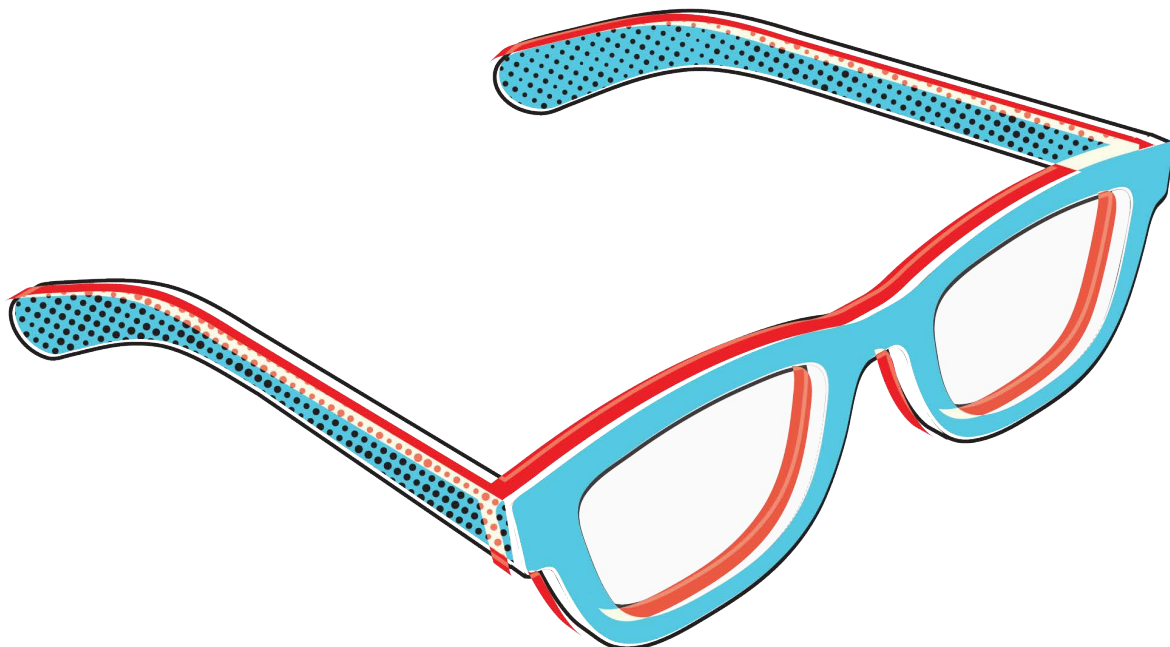
What You Do:

Before the Activity: Go through each card with the instructions below so you know which card is which. Lay out the cards in order of the instructions below.

What You Say:

During the Activity: "Jesus taught us that we can talk to God anytime, anywhere, about anything. Right? Right! Do you see these cards? (*Hold up set of cards.*) We are going to use them to make a special prayer book (or prayer cards if you don't staple them together into book form)! Before we make a book with the cards, we have to decorate them!

Encourage kids to color and decorate each card any way they want! Follow the instructions below to talk through each card after your kids have colored their cards.



(Hold up "Anywhere, Anytime, Anything Card.")

"Now let's look at all of our cards together and talk about what they can remind us to pray for. Ready? This first card reminds us that we can talk to God anywhere, anytime, and about anything!"

(Then hold up "Thank You for Family and Friends Card.")

This card reminds us we can talk to God and thank Him for our family and friends.

(Hold up "Feelings Card.")

"Your cards look great! This card reminds us we can talk to God about our feelings. Happy or sad, God wants to hear about it.

(Then hold up "Help Card.")

"This card reminds us we can talk to God and ask Him for help when we need it.

(Hold up "World Card.")

"Okay, just a few more. This card reminds us we can talk to God and thank Him for making this amazing world!

(Then hold up "I'm Sorry Card.")

"This card reminds us we can talk to God and tell Him we are sorry when we do something wrong.

(Then hold up "Food Card.")

"This has been fun going through everything we can talk to God about! This card reminds us we can talk to God and thank Him for our food.

(Hold up "Blank Card.")

"And now the last card. This card doesn't have anything on it. That means we can use it as a reminder to talk to God about anything. We really can talk to God about anything!

(Encourage kids to tell you some more things that they can talk to God about. Tell them some of the things you talk to God about!)

If you have a stapler at home, help kids staple their prayer cards together to make a booklet or if you don't staple them together, encourage kids to put their cards somewhere that they can see them throughout the week and remember all the things they can talk to God about.

"You did it! You made your very own prayer book (or prayer cards). This will help you remember what Jesus taught us. We can talk to God anytime, anywhere, about anything!"

After the Activity: "Let's talk to God right now! Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to teach us about You and to be our friend forever. Help us remember that we can talk to You anytime, anywhere, about anything. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."