

Praying Through Christlike Character

Personal Responsibility

Wisdom

Lord, may I behave in ways that show I understand the consequences of my choices. Make me strong within, to apply the knowledge and understanding You have given me. Cause my eyes to see with Your perspective and my actions to demonstrate discernment. Help me recognize foolishness and turn away from it.

Integrity

Lord, renew my heart and mind so that You and others around me can trust me to do what is right and say what is true. Plant within my heart a love for honesty. May the words of my mouth be sincere and pure. Help me to treat others fairly and show mercy. Guide me far away from deceitfulness and manipulation.

Conviction

Dear Father, capture my heart with a confidence in You and Your Word, so strong and stable that my attitudes and actions are transformed by Your Spirit of truth. May faith and enthusiasm enlighten my countenance. Please give me the desire and strength, through Your Spirit inside me, to set a Christlike example for others in my deep convictions about Who You are and what You say. Enable me to lead them to Your truth, dispelling doubts and encouraging their hope.

Self-discipline

Dear Father, God, enable me to focus on worthy goals instead of distractions. Produce in me Your Spirit's fruit of self-control and patience. May this self-discipline be expressed in orderliness, punctuality, thriftiness and resourcefulness—and also in the wise discipline of rest. Help me recognize and remove carelessness far from me.

Diligence

Lord, create within my heart a loyal willingness to complete the tasks I have accepted; to do what I say I will do. Help me to persist in being alert, cautious, creative and thorough in those tasks as I do them for You. Please help me discern the difference between laziness and rest and choose what most pleases You.

Interpersonal Respect

Kindness

Dear Father, enable me to ~~reflect Your lovingkindness by~~ to selflessly ~~care about~~ ~~care about~~ and help helping others: ~~with kindness.~~ Let Help me be a friend to the friendless, ~~with~~ compassionate to those needing mercy, gentle rather than gruff, generous rather than stingy, and forgiving rather than bitter or vengeful. ~~Remove~~ Please replace my tendency toward selfishness with the reflection of Your selfless and sacrificial love. ~~far from me.~~

Loyalty

Dear Father, as you ~~bring me into the image~~ cultivate in me the character of your Son, help me to faithfully obey my authorities and commit to significant relationships. Enable me to cheerfully obey You and other appropriate authorities, being dependable and supportive. Help me honor significant relationships and not damage them. Bless me with a distaste for disobedience, for Your glory. ~~Cause disobedience to You, to be distasteful to me and turn my heart to your ways.~~

Courage

Lord, conquer my fear by Your love that I may be able to assist others in the way that you lead. Turn me away from cowering ~~at~~ away from your Your commands. Inspire decisiveness, initiative, and boldness in my heart because of my deep convictions about You and Your Word.

Humility

Father, God, help me to honor others by drawing attention to them instead of myself. Remove pride and arrogance far from my heart. Open my eyes and ears to their needs and my heart to show mercy.

Thankfulness

In saying, "Thank you," help me to be sincere in showing others my gratitude for their effect on my life. Grow within me a gratitude-attitude that inspires, ~~inspiring~~ contentment, appreciation and peace. Remove complaining and ungratefulness far from me.

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