

Family Prayer Resources – Anglican Aid

G'day everyone! For today's kids spot, I wanted to highlight a couple of cool, free resources produced by our friends at Anglican Aid that parents and children might find helpful for reading the Bible and praying together at home.

If haven't heard of them, Anglican Aid are the overseas aid, development, and ministry support agency of Sydney Anglicans in partnership with the global church.

Here are 2 resources for family prayers that they've recently released that I'd like to recommend.

1. Dinner Table Devotions https://anglicanaid.org.au/pray/dinnerdevotions/

4 family devotions from 1 Corinthians 8 and 9, each has a chunk of the Bible printed out for you to read together, a couple of questions to discuss and application to think about as a family, and then a prayer you can pray together.

Being on 2 Cor 8-9, they are focused mostly on how we can be generous towards others in response to God's generosity towards us (but they aren't just marketing Anglican Aid!)

2. Big prayers for little people https://anglicanaid.org.au/pray/bigprayers/

Second are these big prayer for little people cards. Each card describes one development project supported by Anglican Aid, and has a short prayer that you can pray for them. They are written with children in primary school in mind, so the language is simple and clear enough for kids to read and pray (some might need a little help from a grown-up with some words though).

If reading the Bible and praying with your kids is something that feels intimidating, or you just don't know where to start, this could be a really good starting point. If you're already in some good habits in that area, these could enrich that time together, and help you have a particular focus on the poor for a while. We've found the prayer cards particularly helpful ourselves.

You can order and download your own copies for free from anglicanaid.org.au. I've got our copies here for you if you'd like to take a look, and I'll also post links in the Church FB group for you to check them out.