

# THE 24/90 PRAYER VIGIL

July 10-October 7, 2017

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## PRAYER DIRECTIVES (Week #4)

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Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> thru Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

During this **Fourth week of prayer**, we are directing our prayer to the topic of **“The Family.”** This area of prayer again is very broad; however, the spirit of God will direct your prayers beyond that which is listed in these directives.

**FAMILY:** A group of people, usually of the same **blood** (but do not have to be), who genuinely **love**, trust, care about, and look out for each other. Not to be mistaken with relatives sharing the same household who hate each other. REAL family is a bond that cannot be broken by any means.

1. Pray for **Parents:** *that they will actually enjoy spending time with their children. Pray that they will help them help themselves make it into the world successfully. Pray that they will be instruments of peace and unity in the home not provoking their child/children to wrath. Pray for a spirit of understanding in every home. Pray that parents will lead by example both naturally and spiritually.*
2. *Pray that siblings will look out for and **love** one another. Pray that older siblings will be Godly examples and help take care of younger siblings. Pray for a spirit of obedience and a bond of unity and peace among siblings.*
3. *Pray that the children will respect, love, and obey their **parents**.*
4. *Pray that spouses will marry each other out of love and not for **money**, social status, or fantasies of fancy weddings. Pray that spouses will love one another unconditionally. Pray the two will cleave to each other and honor God in their union.*
5. Rebuke the spirit that seeks to destroy and dismantle God’s ordained family structure. Command the restoration of strong family units. Call home fathers, mothers, and children who are absent from their family.
6. Open unto families an understanding of how to communicate one with the other without misunderstandings leading to separation. Pray that hearts that have been affected by harsh words will be mended. Pray a spirit of forgiveness will arrest every heart.
7. Pray emotional strength in each family so that they may weather the storms of life.
8. Now, pray ye likewise for the “church family”!

### **Pray for these varied types families:**

- The "conjugal" family includes only the husband, the wife, and unmarried children who are not of age.
- The "matrifocal" family consisting of a mother and her children or father and his children.
- The "extended family" is an egocentric network of relatives that extends beyond the domestic group who do not belong to the conjugal family.
- The "*blended family*" or *stepfamily* which describes families with mixed parents: one or both parents remarried, bringing children of the former family into the new family.

### **Pray for each member of the family in their perspective roles in the family:**

- **Father:** a male parent
- **Mother:** a female parent
- **Son:** a male child of the parent(s)
- **Daughter:** a female child of the parent(s)
- **Brother:** a male sibling
- **Sister:** a female sibling
- **Husband:** a male spouse
- **Wife:** a female spouse
- **Grandfather:** the father of a parent
- **Grandmother:** the mother of a parent
- **Cousins:** two people who share at least one grandparent in common, but none of the same parents.
- **Grandson:** a child's son
- **Granddaughter:** a child's daughter
- **Aunts, Uncles, Other Family Members, & Extended Family**