



Growing FAITH at home

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God watches over us



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CONVERSATIONS

Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

1. Who do you turn to when you're in trouble? Why?
2. Jesus taught us that God never gets sick of hearing our prayers, even when we ask for the same things over and over again. What need are you asking God to meet at the moment?



BIBLE READINGS

*Read the following Bible readings throughout this week.
Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.*

S	Luke 18:1-8	Parable of the persistent widow
M	Mark 10:46-52	An example of persistence
T	2 Timothy 3:14- 4:5	Remain faithful
W	Matthew 15:21-28	The faith of a Canaanite woman
T	James 5:13-18	The prayer of faith
F	Jeremiah 31:27-34	I will be their God
S	Psalms 121	My help comes from the Lord

VERSE OF THE WEEK

*The Lord keeps you from all harm and
watches over your life. The Lord keeps
watch over you as you come and go, both
now and forever.*

PSALM 121:7-8



CREATIVE RESPONSE

Luke 18:7 talks of God's people crying out to him 'day and night.' Prayer each morning and evening gives spiritual bookends to our home life. As a household devotional practice for this week use Martin Luther's Morning and Evening Prayers each day.

MORNING PRAYER

I thank you, heavenly Father,
through your dear Son,
Jesus Christ, that you have
protected me through the
night from all harm and
danger. I ask you to keep me
this day, too, from all sin and
evil, so that in all my thoughts,
words and deeds

I may please you. In your
hands I place my body and
soul and all that is mine. Let
your holy angel be with me,
so that the evil one may have
no power over me. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER

I thank you, heavenly Father,
through your dear Son,
Jesus Christ, that you have
graciously protected me today.
I ask you to forgive all my sins
and the wrong which I have
done. And graciously keep
me this night. In your hands
I place my body and soul and
all that is mine. Let your holy
angel be with me, so that the
evil one may have no power
over me. Amen.



ACTION RESPONSE

Jesus told a parable about a woman who was persistent with the judge in her town until he gave in and listened. Sometimes God calls us to be persistent in our lives too. Think of ways you might need to persist for the good of someone you know. Perhaps this is in prayer. Perhaps this is continuing to show kindness. Perhaps this is in serving the needs of someone else. Set a goal to 'persist' in this good way this week.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Lord, in your name
we drink and sup;
teach us to pray and
not give up. Help us
to look to you this
day, and show our
thanks in all we say.
Amen.



PRAYER

Lord God, teach
us to always seek
you and to never
give up. Amen.



BLESSING

May the Lord keep
you from all harm
and watch over
your life.