



For the eyes of the Lord
are on the righteous, and
His ears are open to their
prayers; but the face of
the Lord is against those
who do evil.

1 Peter 3:12



Chapter 11



Prayer and Praise

I could not have weekly devotionals and a Write the Word section without also including Prayer and Praise Pages for you as well. It is so easy as homeschool moms to get busy in the shuffle of all that we balance to forget the things we bring to the Lord in prayer. I don't know about you but I spend much of my day talking and conversing with the Lord (usually asking for patience LOL) But when I am intentional about writing the things that are weighing heavy on my heart, my prayer requests and especially my praises I see 2 major things shift in my life.

First, I start seeing the Lord answering prayers all over the place that I wouldn't have noticed had I not written it down. There is nothing more encouraging and also causes my faith in the Lord to grow than to go back over old prayer requests I have written and see His hand all over those situations.

The second thing that happens as I start recording things I'm thankful for is I stop paying as much attention to myself and instead start keeping my focus on what things I can praise the Lord for in the small moments of my day. Rather than getting frustrated at the 2 year old that has spilled her drink I find myself thanking the Lord I have that 2 year old, rather than feeling overwhelmed with the teen who has to talk through all her latest drama I find myself praising God she still wants to crawl into my bed and share her heart with me. It's a game changer when we start looking to praise the Lord.

I want to encourage you to go back on a monthly basis and revisit your prayer requests and things that are weighing on your heart. Mark when prayers have been answered and watch your faith be built. I pray these pages will bring you closer to the Lord and new growth will happen with Him.