

# A Scripture-Based Prayer

## FOR GOD TO HELP OUR KIDS CHOOSE AND BE SURROUNDED BY POSITIVE INFLUENCES

Heavenly Father, I pray that you would bring good and godly friends and role models into (name of child)'s life and protect him(her) from ungodly influences. Your Word says that "those who walk with the wise will become wise, but a companion of fools will suffer harm." (Proverbs 13:20) I want so much for my child to grow wise and not to suffer harm.

Please give my child discernment on choosing friends, and if he (she) is already being influenced negatively, I pray you might make that clear to him(her) and give him(her) a way to put distance between them. Help me to talk to my child about friends and role models and model good relationships for my child. I need wisdom to parent well and your Word promises that if we ask for wisdom, you will give it. (James 1:5).

I pray that my child will grow in godly character. In 1 Corinthians 15:33 we are reminded that "bad company corrupts good character." From friendships to choices about entertainment, music, internet, and social media, I pray that my child would be attracted to good, wholesome, and helpful influences. Help him(her) to recognize the blessings of good choices others make and be drawn to them, and repelled by bad choices they see as well.

Finally, I pray that my child would grow to be a good friend and godly influence in others' lives. Let him(her) shine your light in such a way that others may see his(her) good deeds and glorify their Father in Heaven. (Matthew 5:16).

In Jesus' Name, Amen