



## VERSES ABOUT CHILDREN

### **Exodus 18:20**

“Teach them [children] the decrees and laws, and show them the way to live and the duties they are to perform.”

### **Exodus 22:22-23**

“Do not take advantage of a widow or an orphan. If you do and they cry out to me, I will certainly hear their cry.”

### **Deuteronomy 4:9**

Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

### **Deuteronomy 4:10**

“Assemble the people before me to hear my words so that they may learn to revere me as long as they live in the land and may teach them to their children.”

### **Deuteronomy 4:40**

Keep his decrees and commands, which I am giving you today, so that it may go well with you and your children after you and that you may live long in the land the LORD your God gives you for all time.

### **Deuteronomy 6:5-7**

Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

### **Deuteronomy 12:28**

Be careful to obey all these regulations I am giving you, so that it may always go well with you and your children after you, because you will be doing what is good and right in the eyes of the LORD your God.

### **Deuteronomy 29:29**

The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.

**Deuteronomy 31:12-13**

“Assemble the people — men, women and children, and the aliens living in your towns — so they can listen and learn to fear the LORD your God and follow carefully all the words of this law. Their children, who do not know this law, must hear it and learn to fear the LORD your God as long as you live in the land you are crossing the Jordan to possess.”

**Psalm 8:2**

From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

**Psalm 10:14**

But you, O God, do see trouble and grief; you consider it to take it in hand. The victim commits himself to you; you are the helper of the fatherless.

**Psalm 68:5-6**

A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.

**Psalm 71:17-18**

Since my youth, O God, you have taught me, and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds. Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, O God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your might to all who are to come.

**Psalm 72:4**

He will defend the afflicted among the people and save the children of the needy; he will crush the oppressor.

**Psalm 78:4**

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, his power, and the wonders he has done.

**Psalm 127:3**

Sons are a heritage from the LORD, children a reward from him.

**Psalm 146:9**

The LORD watches over the alien and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

**Proverbs 13:22**

A good man leaves an inheritance for his children's children.

**Proverbs 17:6**

Children's children are a crown to the aged, and parents are the pride of their children.

**Proverbs 20:11**

Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right.

**Proverbs 22:6**

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.

**Proverbs 22:15**

Folly is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline will drive it far from him.

**Isaiah 40:30-31**

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

**Jeremiah 49:11**

“Leave your orphans; I will protect their lives. Your widows too can trust me.”

**Lamentations 1:16**

“This is why I weep and my eyes overflow with tears. No one is near to comfort me, no one to restore my spirit. My children are destitute because the enemy has prevailed.”

**Lamentations 2:11**

My eyes fail from weeping, I am in torment within, my heart is poured out on the ground because my people are destroyed, because children and infants faint in the streets of the city.

**Lamentations 3:32-33**

Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love. For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to the children of men.

**Lamentations 4:4**

Because of thirst, the infant’s tongue sticks to the roof of its mouth; the children beg for bread, but no one gives it to them.

**Matthew 10:42**

“And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward.”

**Matthew 11:25-26**

At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure.”

**Matthew 18:2-6**

He called a little child and had him stand among them. And he said: “I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me. But if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a large millstone hung around his neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea.”

**Matthew 18:10**

“See that you do not look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.”

**Matthew 19:13-14**

Then little children were brought to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them. Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”

**Matthew 21:16**

“Do you hear what these children are saying?” they asked him. “Yes,” replied Jesus, “have you never read, ‘From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise.’”

**Mark 9:36-37**

He took a little child and had him stand among them. Taking him in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.”

**Mark 10:13-16**

People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

**Luke 9:46-48**

An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest. Jesus, knowing their thoughts, took a little child and had him stand beside him. Then he said to them, “Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For he who is least among you all — he is the greatest.”

**Ephesians 6:1**

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

**Ephesians 6:4**

Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

**Colossians 3:20**

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

**James 1:27**

Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

**1 John 2:13**

I write to you, fathers, because you have known him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, dear children, because you have known the Father.

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