

Prayers for Teens on the Lord's Kingdom

Father in heaven, I will not be afraid, for I know that it is Your good will to give me the kingdom. Amen. (See Luke 12:31-32.)

Lord, You taught us that the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking for beautiful pearls. When he finds the one pearl of great price, he sells everything he has to buy it. This one pearl is the knowledge of You, that You are all loving and all wise and that everything good in our lives comes from You. Help us to find this great pearl that will bring us into the kingdom of heaven. Amen.

Lord, one thing I desire from You, and that I will seek, to dwell in Your house all the days of my life. Amen. (See Psalm 27:4.)

Lord, through Your parables You tell us of the treasures of Divine truth that are hidden in Your Word. Help me to set aside my own selfish thoughts and desires, so that I may gain those truths and make them my own by living according to them. Help me to learn to love Your truths not for the sake of my own reputation and gain, but for the sake of Your eternal kingdom and its uses. Amen. (See *Apocalypse Explained* 840 and 863.)



O Lord, You have taught that everyone is created to live forever in a state of happiness. Help me to follow You in a life of obedience and usefulness that I may find eternal joy. Amen. (See *Divine Providence* 323.)

Lord, let me receive Your love and faith, so that I may have heaven within me. For if I have heaven within myself in this world, I will be able to enter heaven after death. Amen. (See *Arcana Coelestia* 10717.)

Lord, I rejoice at Your Word, as one who finds great treasure, as the man in the parable rejoiced when he found treasure in a field and sold all that he had to buy it. Amen. (See Psalm 119:162 and Matthew 13:44.)