## Children and the Rapture: God's Promise for Families



A comforting 7-day study exploring what the Bible reveals about children at the Rapture and God's loving heart for families.





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#### Introduction

Understanding the Rapture can be both exciting and confusing, especially when we think about how it affects children and families. The Bible offers us hope and clarity, showing God's deep love not only for each person but also for families as a whole. In this study, we'll explore Scripture together to understand what happens to children during the Rapture and how God's promises assure us of His care for our families.

The *Rapture* refers to the moment when Jesus returns to gather His followers. While this event is described in several passages, questions arise about whether children are included in this promise and how their faith and innocence are considered by God. Through peaceful and Scriptural exploration, we will see that God's grace extends beautifully to little ones and He has a tender heart for families facing the unknown.

This study invites both children and adults to reflect on God's word with confidence and comfort. Together, we'll learn how God's loving plan for salvation reaches children and how families are united in hope through Jesus. Our journey through these seven days will deepen your understanding, remove fears, and strengthen your faith in God's perfect and compassionate plan. Let's walk through God's promises and discover the peace that comes from trusting Him. Let His Word light your path as we explore these profound truths for children and families.







## Day 1: God's Promise of Salvation for All









Day 1: A God's Promise of Salvation for All

#### Your Verse

John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Romans 10:13 "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
- Matthew 19:14 "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."







Day 1: A God's Promise of Salvation for All

#### Devotional: God's Love Includes Every Child

God's love is universal and extends to every person, including children. John 3:16 reminds us that God's salvation is available for anyone who believes — children included. Jesus expressed a special love for children, welcoming them as examples of faith and heart for God's kingdom (Matthew 19:14). This means that children who trust in Jesus share in the promises of eternal life and the blessings of the coming Rapture.

When thinking about what happens to children at the Rapture, it's comforting to know that God's grace is broad and inclusive. Salvation isn't about age or knowledge alone but about the heart's response to God's love. Families can find peace in knowing that God cherishes children as much as adults and invites them to be part of His eternal family.

As we begin this study, hold onto the hope that God's promises are sure and His plans for families and children are filled with love and mercy.







Day 1: 🙆 God's Promise of Salvation for All

## Reflect and Apply

	How does knowing God loves children as much as adults change your view of salvation?
3.	What does Jesus' invitation to children teach us about the kingdom of heaven?
	How can families support children in understanding and accepting God's love?







Day 1: A God's Promise of Salvation for All

### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a time you felt God's love like a child might.
2.	Describe what it means to you that salvation is for everyone, including children.
3.	List ways your family can grow in faith together.







Day 1: A God's Promise of Salvation for All

#### Prayer for Today

**Dear God,** thank You for Your endless love that embraces all, especially our children. Help us to trust Your promise of salvation and to nurture faith in our households. May we always remember that Your grace includes even the youngest hearts. Fill us with peace and confidence as we think about Your perfect plans for families at the Rapture. Keep our children safe in Your arms and grow their love for You daily. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\bigwedge$ 















#### Your Verse

Psalm 34:18 - "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Matthew 18:3 "...unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."
- 1 Peter 1:18-19 "You were redeemed... with the precious blood of Christ."







#### **Devotional: Grace Covers Innocent Hearts**

Children's innocence points us to how we should approach God—with simple, trusting faith. Jesus tells us in Matthew 18:3 that becoming like children is key to entering God's kingdom. This means that the very qualities children have—trust, humility, openness—are exactly what God wants from us all.

At times, parents may worry about the souls of young children or those who haven't yet learned much about faith. But God's grace covers the hearts of children who are innocent and trusting. Psalm 34:18 reminds us that God is near to those who feel broken or weak. He lovingly receives children and saves them through the sacrifice of Jesus (1 Peter 1:18–19).

Understanding God's grace toward children brings comforting assurance in the mystery of the Rapture.







Day 2:  $\mbox{\$}$  Children's Innocence and God's Grace

## Reflect and Apply

1.	What does it mean to 'become like little children' in your faith?
2.	How does God's closeness to the brokenhearted encourage you about children's place in His kingdom?
3.	In what ways can you demonstrate childlike trust in your spiritual walk?







### **Journaling Prompts**

	Reflect on how childlike faith could strengthen your relationship with God.
2.	Write about God's grace and how it comforts you or your family.
3.	Name moments when you felt God close during hard times.







#### Prayer for Today

**Lord Jesus,** thank You for the innocence and trust found in childlike faith. Help us to approach You with hearts open and humble like children. We ask for Your grace to cover every young soul and for Your comforting presence to be near to our families. May Your love shield us and bring peace as we wait for Your glorious return. In Your holy name, Amen.







## Day 3: 🗱 Assurance in God's Faithfulness









Day 3: X Assurance in God's Faithfulness

#### Your Verse

Lamentations 3:22-23 - "Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Deuteronomy 7:9 "The Lord your God is faithful to all his promises and loving toward all he has made."
- Hebrews 10:23 "Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful."







Day 3: 💸 Assurance in God's Faithfulness

#### Devotional: Cling to God's Unfailing Faithfulness

God's faithfulness is a constant anchor for families facing uncertainty.

Lamentations 3:22–23 beautifully declares that God's mercy is renewed daily and His compassion never fails. This truth provides hope for parents wondering about the destiny of their children at the Rapture.

God promises to be faithful to all He has vowed (Deuteronomy 7:9). This means His promises concerning salvation and eternal life include children and families. Hebrews 10:23 encourages us to cling tightly to our hope because God always keeps His word.

By trusting God's faithfulness, families can find peace and strength even when future events seem unclear.







Day 3: 💸 Assurance in God's Faithfulness

## Reflect and Apply

1.	How does God's faithfulness influence your view of the Rapture for your family?
2.	What promises from God do you hold onto most during difficult times?
3.	How can you encourage others to trust in God's steadfast love?







Day 3: 🎇 Assurance in God's Faithfulness

### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about a time God's faithfulness surprised or comforted you.
2.	List God's promises that reassure you about your children's future.
3.	Describe your hope rooted in God's unfailing compassions.







Day 3: 🗱 Assurance in God's Faithfulness

#### Prayer for Today

Faithful God, thank You for Your endless compassion and promises that never fail. Help us to trust You fully as we anticipate the Rapture. Lord, give us strong faith and hope that we might cling to You always, especially for our children's safety and salvation. Renew our peace each morning and fill our hearts with Your reassuring presence. May we stand firm on Your Word, confident in Your great love. In Jesus' name, Amen.















#### Your Verse

Psalm 91:11 - "For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;"

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Isaiah 41:10 "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God."
- 2 Thessalonians 2:13 "God chose you as firstfruits to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth."







#### Devotional: God's Protective Love Surrounds Families

The Bible assures us that God's protection covers His people, including families and children. Psalm 91:11 speaks of God commanding His angels to guard us. This divine protection extends not just physically but also spiritually as we prepare for Christ's return.

When fears arise about the unknown, Isaiah 41:10 comforts us with God's promise to be present and to strengthen His people. Furthermore, 2 Thessalonians 2:13 reminds us that God has chosen us for salvation—children included—through the work of His Spirit.

This divine safeguarding offers families profound comfort and courage amid questions about the Rapture.







## Reflect and Apply

	How does God's promise of angelic protection encourage your family's faith?
	When have you felt God's presence during challenging or uncertain times?
3.	What can families do to rely more fully on God's protection daily?







### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about ways you have experienced God's protection.
2.	Describe how you can help your children trust in God's care.
3.	Reflect on how God's promises change your perspective on fear.







#### **Prayer for Today**

**Heavenly Father,** thank You for the assurance that You protect us and our families. Send Your angels to guard our homes, hearts, and minds, especially as we look forward to Jesus' return. Help us to cast out fear and embrace faith. Keep us close to You through Your Spirit's work, and may we find enduring comfort in Your presence. In Your mighty name, Amen.









Day 5: God's Heart for Families









#### Your Verse

Ephesians 6:1-4 - "Children, obey your parents... Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Joshua 24:15 "But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."
- Colossians 3:20–21 "Children, obey your parents in everything... Fathers, do not embitter your children."







#### Devotional: Building Faithful Families God Loves

God's design for families is built on love, respect, and spiritual guidance. Ephesians 6 calls families to nurture one another in the Lord's teaching, encouraging children to obey and parents to lovingly instruct without discouragement.

Joshua 24:15 highlights the choice families make to serve God together, creating a united front of faith. Recognizing God's heart for families assures us that He desires all members, parents and children alike, to grow in His truth and grace.

Understanding this divine family blueprint strengthens hope for families looking forward to being together at the Rapture.







## Reflect and Apply

1.	How can your family grow stronger in faith and unity?
	What role do parents and children each have in nurturing spiritual growth?
	How does focusing on God's design for families give you hope about the future?







### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Reflect on ways your family serves the Lord together.
2.	Write about how you can encourage faith growth in your household.
3.	List ways to foster love and patience within your family.







#### Prayer for Today

**Lord God,** we thank You for Your loving plan for families. Help parents and children to grow in respect, love, and faith together. May Your Word guide our homes and hearts, leading us to serve You faithfully. Strengthen our family bonds as we look towards the hope of the Rapture, knowing You hold all generations in Your care. In Jesus' name, Amen.















#### Your Verse

Proverbs 22:6 - "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Deuteronomy 6:6-7 "Keep these commandments... Talk about them when you sit at home, when you walk along the road..."
- Psalm 127:3 "Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him."







#### Devotional: Guiding Children on a Strong Faith Path

**Teaching children about God early and consistently helps lay a strong foundation of faith.** Proverbs 22:6 encourages parents and guardians to direct children on the right path so that they remain rooted in faith for life.

Deuteronomy 6 shows us how everyday moments—talking, walking, living together—can become opportunities to teach God's ways. Remembering children are a precious gift from God (Psalm 127:3) motivates us to invest time in their spiritual growth.

By nurturing their faith, parents prepare children to meet Jesus confidently at the Rapture.







## Reflect and Apply

1.	What habits are you creating to encourage children's faith growth?
2.	How can you use daily routines to teach God's Word to your family?
3.	Why is it important to view children as a heritage from the Lord?







### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about ways you've helped a child grow closer to God.
2.	Describe a favorite Bible story or teaching that impacted a child's faith.
	Plan how you might incorporate more spiritual teaching into everyday life.







#### **Prayer for Today**

**Gracious Lord,** thank You for the precious gift of children. Guide us as parents and mentors to teach them Your ways with patience and joy. Help us to create loving, everyday moments filled with Your truth. Encourage children's hearts to trust and love You deeply so they will be ready and joyful when they meet You at the Rapture. In Jesus' name, Amen.  $\blacksquare$ 

















#### Your Verse

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 - "For the Lord himself will come down... And so we will be with the Lord forever."

#### **Supporting Scriptures**

- Revelation 21:4 "He will wipe every tear from their eyes... there will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain."
- John 14:3 "I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."







#### Devotional: Joyful Hope in Jesus' Coming

The hope of Christ's return brings comfort and joy, especially for families and children. In 1 Thessalonians 4:16–17, Paul gives a powerful description of the Rapture, where believers—parents and children alike—are caught up to meet Jesus.

Revelation 21:4 paints a beautiful picture of a future without sorrow, pain, or death. Jesus Himself promises in John 14:3 to come back and bring His followers home forever.

This hope is the heart of our faith: a joyful reunion with Jesus and loved ones, a promise that comforts and guides families today and always.







### Reflect and Apply

	How does the promise of being with Jesus forever change your view of the Rapture?
	What are you most hopeful about regarding Christ's return for your family?
3.	How can you share this hope and joy with children and others around you?







#### **Journaling Prompts**

1.	Write about the feelings the promise of the Rapture stirs in your heart.
2.	Describe what being with Jesus forever means to you and your family.
3.	Plan how you might communicate this hope to encourage others.







#### Prayer for Today

**Loving Father,** thank You for the beautiful promise of Jesus' return. Fill our hearts with hope and joy as we await the Rapture. Help us to live each day in the peace of knowing we will be with You and our loved ones forever. Strengthen our families in faith and love, encouraging children to rejoice in Your coming kingdom. We praise You for this wonderful future. In Jesus' name, Amen. \*\*



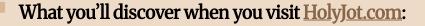




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