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☆Let's Talk and Wonder

SAY When Jesus lived on earth, he often went off by himself and prayed to his Father in heaven. The disciples noticed and asked Jesus to teach them to pray.

ASK *Why did they ask Jesus to teach them to pray?*

SAY The disciples wanted to know what kinds of things to pray to God, who was their Father in heaven, too.

ASK *What are some things Jesus taught in the prayer he gave his followers, known as the Lord's Prayer?*

SAY Jesus taught that when we pray we should praise God, ask for forgiveness, and ask for the things we need. God is pleased when his children come before him and tell him all the things that concern us, ask for his help, and praise and thank him.

☆Let's Listen

Slowly say or read the Lord's Prayer, found in Matthew 6:9–14, as the children listen.

☆Let's Sing

Sing "Part of the Family of God." Add this verse.



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Songbook, p. 15

I'll thank my great Savior each day,
I'll share from my heart when I pray.
My Father above has shown me his love.
I'll thank my great Savior each day!

☆Let's Make and Pray

Print the following prayer on a large sheet of **poster board**. Hand out **crayons** so the children may draw pictures of themselves praying to God. Then read the prayer aloud.

Dear Father, we praise you.
Thank you for sending Jesus to be our Savior. Please forgive our sins.
Please take care of all your children. Help us to trust and obey you.
We praise you for your kindness and love. Thank you for listening to us.
We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.