

PRAYING A HEDGE FOR CHILDREN

In our struggle against evil we are dealing with spiritual powers. Therefore, we must put on the whole armor of God and stand against the attacks of the wicked one. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds" (2 Cor. 10:4).

One powerful weapon that every Christian parent(s) has is to pray a daily hedge of protection around each child.

Job did this and Satan complained about its effectiveness against him: "Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side . . ." (Job 1:10).

There are three parts to the prayer for a hedge:

First, ask God to bind and rebuke the power of Satan in the life of each one in your family. Be mighty through God to pull down strongholds. "No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man . . ." (Mark 3:27).

Second, pray in the name and through the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son" (John 14:13). Christ's name is Protector, the Good Shepherd that gives His life for His sheep.

Third, claim the Scripture that relates to the kind of protection that is needed. For example: protection from sin, "For sin shall not have dominion over you . . ." (Romans 6:14); protection from discouragement, " . . . I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Hebrews 13:5).

"Heavenly Father, I ask You in the Name and through the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ to bind and rebuke Satan, and to put a hedge of protection around me and each one in my family, 'Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you (us) will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ' (Philippians 1:6). In the Name of Jesus our Shepherd, Amen."