# Family Devotional for December 28

## “Thank You, God — Help Us Trust You!”

Scripture: “The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.” — Psalm 126:3

## 1. Remembering the Good Things God Has Done

As the year ends, today is a perfect time to pause and think about all the good things God has done. Some things were big—like new friends or exciting moments at school. Some were small—like cozy blankets or getting a hug when you needed one. Even on hard days, God was with us.

Family Discussion Questions:

• What was one really good thing God gave you this year? • What is something hard you went through, and how did God help you? • What made you smile this year?

## 2. Gratitude Makes Our Hearts Happy

The Bible says we are “filled with joy” when we remember what God has done. Gratitude is like flipping on a light switch—it helps us see the good things God has placed in our lives.

Family Activity:

Go around and share three things you are thankful for: 1. Something fun 2. Something helpful 3. Something surprising

## 3. Looking Ahead and Trusting God

Sometimes the new year feels unknown, but God already knows every day that's coming—and He promises to walk with us.

Family Discussion Questions:

• What is one thing you’re excited about next year? • What is one thing you feel nervous about? • How can we trust God with those things?

## 4. A Simple Family Prayer

Dear God, thank You for all the good things You gave us this year. Thank You for helping us when things were hard. Please be with us in the new year. Help us trust You, love You, and follow You every day. Amen.

## 5. Kid-Friendly Journal Prompts

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