

# Let's Pray...

## I Have Too Much to Do

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,  
just as in fact you are doing (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

*Hello, Lord! I'm really in a rush today but couldn't skip a talk with You. I don't know exactly how it happens, but I'm overwhelmed with things to do again. Some days I just can't catch up, or even keep up, and I feel anxious and undone. I'm sorry I over commit and am not spending time with You as I should. Lord, show me ways to rearrange my life so I have just enough to do and not too much.*

*Please show me Your way to contentment. When I remember that You are in control, I feel foolish for crying, "My life is out of control!" Help me acknowledge Your control and relinquish mine. Please give me health and strength to endure. Jesus, in Your all powerful Name, I pray. Amen.*



## Grandma's BLOG

Tradition dictates that Christmas gifts are wrapped and placed under the tree. However, this year my grandkids will continue in our family's tradition, which means no wrapping! Many years ago when I was preparing for Christmas, I ran out of time, so I just hid the gifts unwrapped. I placed a slip of paper in the tree for each person and sent them on a treasure hunt all over the house searching for their presents.

It brings to mind the Christmas story as recorded in Matthew's Gospel, where the Magi also searched for a Gift — the Greatest Gift ever — Jesus our Savior. They were overjoyed when they found Jesus, bowed down, worshiped Him, and presented Him gifts.

My six-year-old granddaughter once brought a friend to my house for an after-school play date. Cooped up indoors because of the cold winter air, they decided to read books out loud to each other. Her first choice was her Christmas Bible story book. I don't know if her friend knew Jesus as Savior, but the fact that my granddaughter chose that book to share, over all the other storybooks she had, was a great example. If only we all would share Jesus so easily!

To my grandchildren: May God help you to recognize that toys and gifts at Christmas time can only provide temporary happiness, while the Christ Child gives complete and eternal joy. We do not need to search for Jesus, as you will for your gifts; His story comes alive as we search and study the Bible. May God grant each of you the gift of saving faith!

*Your Word is a Lamp to my feet and a Light for my path (Psalm 119:105).*

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