

# 5 THINGS TO TELL YOUR KIDS EVERY MORNING

**Every morning is an opportunity to encourage, invest, and inspire your children to become the best they can be. To help start their day off right, here are 5 things to tell your child every day.**

## **1. Be a Leader**

Tell them that leaders go first, set examples for others, and help when needed. Leaders lead with their actions, and sometimes, they use words. Good leaders do the right thing when no one is watching.

## **2. Be Kind**

Being kind is doing and saying the right thing, even if it means you get nothing. Kindness is more important than good grades. Grades are essential and have tremendous value, but a child's character is even more important.

## **3. Get Back Up**

Your kids are going to fail—they are going to fall at some point. Tell them that no matter what happens, we always get back up and try again. When they miss the shot, get back up. When they fail the quiz, get back up. Teaching our kids to be resilient in the day-to-day will set them up for success as adults.

## **4. Be Respectful**

Tell them to respect three things every day. Give respect to adults at school because they have authority and are in charge. Respect your peers in the way that you want to be respected. Respect the facility because we always leave places better than we found them. There are good things people won't notice about your kids, but people always notice a kid who shows respect.

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## 5. Be An Encourager

Challenge your kids to use their words wisely. Ask them, “Do your words encourage others or tear them down?” Help them find ways to be an encourager each day by asking them who they can encourage today. Like kindness, this forces your kids to think past the surface of others and see the best in them. When they see the best, tell them to say it and to be an encourager.

**Use the questions below to rate how well your kids are doing in these areas and then pray about how you can use your morning routine to help encourage their growth.**

	Needs Work	OK	Neutral	Good	Excellent
How would you rate your morning routine with your kids?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How would you rate your kids as leaders among their peers?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How would you rate the resilience of your kids?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How respectful are your kids towards everyone in the family?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How often do your kids put others first?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What else would you add to your morning encouragement for your kids?