

The
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GREEN GABLES
Devotional
Guide for Young Readers



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Welcome!

If your family is reading *Anne of Green Gables* or *The Anne of Green Gables Devotional* with younger children, you can follow along with these devotions I created especially for kids. Each daily entry has a thought for the day from a chapter of *Anne of Green Gables*, a Bible verse to read, and a prayer to pray. I hope you enjoy growing in your faith with Anne Shirley!

Blessings,
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Chapter 1

Marilla is expecting a boy from the orphanage, not a girl! Can you remember a time when your plans got changed or canceled? How did you feel?

Change is hard. Thankfully, God knows your future and has a plan and a purpose for you! Read Jeremiah 29:11.

Dear God, please hold my hand when I go through changes. Help me remember You are right beside me all the time. Amen.

Chapter 2

Matthew loves listening to Anne talk. What is it like when you talk to God? Have you tried talking to Him like a best friend?

God loves hearing your prayers. You can tell Him your secrets, your plans, and your fears. Read Proverbs 15:8.

Thank You, God, for listening when I pray. Please help me remember to talk to You about everything. Amen.



Chapter 3

Anne is brokenhearted when she finds out Marilla and Matthew wanted a boy. How do you think she felt?

It helps to talk and pray with a parent or friend when your heart hurts. Jesus cares about you and wants to comfort you. Read Psalm 34:18.

Jesus, thank You for being with me when I go through hard times. Help me be friendly to other kids who might feel lonely. Amen.

Chapter 4

Anne tries to make the best of her first day at Green Gables, but she's very sad on the inside. What do you do when you see someone who feels sad?

Matthew speaks up for Anne and wants her to be in his family. That's how God feels about you! Read John 1:12.

God, thank You for sending Your son Jesus to die for my sins and inviting me to be in Your family. Help me to follow You every day. Amen.

Chapter 5

Anne waits calmly for Marilla to make up her mind. How do you feel when you're waiting for something you really want?

Waiting is hard! Every time we practice quietly waiting, we gain more patience. God is very patient with us and wants us to learn to trust Him. Read Psalm 46:10.

Lord, please help me learn patience when I'm waiting for something or someone. Thank You for taking care of all my needs. Amen.

Chapter 6

Marilla realizes that Anne needs her help and has compassion on her. Can you think of someone who might need your help today?

Jesus met many people who were sick and in trouble, but He had compassion and helped each one. He loves you and wants to help you with any problem. Read Matthew 9:36.

Jesus, thank You for loving me and taking care of me and my family. Can You please show me how to be a good helper today? Amen.

Chapter 7

Anne's first prayer is kind of funny, isn't it? It's almost like a business letter. Have you ever written a letter to God or tried praying outside while looking up at the sky?

The Bible tells us that we can pray anywhere at any time. You can pray to God in the morning, at night, in the car, at school, or while you're playing! Read Ephesians 6:18.

Dear God, I'm so glad I can talk to You every day. Please help me remember to pray when I go to bed, when I first wake up, when I eat, and all day long. Amen.



Chapter 8

Anne hasn't ever had a family or a home where she belongs. Where do you feel like you belong most? What's it like to feel left out?

God has great love for every person on earth and has invited us into His family through faith in Jesus. When we believe in Him, we become His children! Read 1 John 3:1.

Thank You, God, for inviting me and my friends and family into Your forever family. Please help me tell other people about how much Jesus loves them. Amen.

Chapter 9

Mrs. Lynde hurts Anne's feelings badly, and Anne is terribly rude in return. Do you think Anne or Mrs. Lynde should apologize (or both)?

When we believe in Jesus, His spirit comes to live inside our hearts. We can ask for His help when we feel mad, when we need to apologize, and when we need to forgive. Read Colossians 3:12.

Dear Jesus, thank You for making me a new creation. I want to be more like You, but I need Your help to calm down and control my emotions when I feel mad or frustrated. Amen.

Chapter 10

Anne feels so much better once she finally apologizes. Have you ever felt that way? Why is it hard to apologize sometimes?

It's not easy to soften our hearts and apologize to someone, especially if they hurt us first. But it's the way God asks us to live as His children. Read Ephesians 4:32.

Lord, please help me to have a soft heart and be the first to apologize, even if others don't apologize or don't want to forgive. I want to live right in Your eyes. Amen.

Chapter 11

Anne's imagination always keeps her entertained, but now she also talks to God and thanks Him for her blessings. Why is it difficult to remember to pray during the day?

God invites you to enjoy quiet time with Him. Try opening your Bible first thing each day. Read a Psalm and say a prayer. It's a great habit for your whole life! Read Mark 6:31.

Lord, I want to spend time with You every day. Please help me remember to talk to You and read my Bible when I wake up. Amen.

Chapter 12

Anne and Diana make a promise to always be bosom friends. Who are your best friends? What do you think makes someone a good friend?

The Bible says there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. Human friends may come and go, but Jesus is your friend for life. Read Proverbs 18:24.

Dear Jesus, thank You for always being my friend and for loving me. I'm so glad You are with me everywhere I go. Amen.

Chapter 13

Marilla's heart is touched by how much Anne loves her. What are some ways you can show love to your family this week?

Kindness is one way we can show God's love to others. God tells us to keep doing good things, without getting tired. Read Galatians 6:9.

Lord, please show me who I can help or serve today. I want to be a hard worker and do kind things for others. Amen.

Chapter 14

When Marilla believes Anne took her brooch and lost it, there is nothing Anne can do to make Marilla believe the truth. Have you ever had something like that happen to you?

God is always with you and helping you, even in the toughest times when things are going wrong. Pick one Bible story to read today: Genesis 39, Acts 7, or Acts 16.

Lord, please help me stay calm when I have an argument or misunderstanding with someone. Soften my heart and help me explain my ideas kindly. Amen.

Chapter 15

When Gilbert calls Anne “Carrots,” she breaks her slate over his head in anger. Have you ever felt angry like that? (Everyone has!)

The Bible teaches us many lessons about anger and self-control. It’s important to be quick to forgive and quick to apologize when things go badly. Read James 1:19-20.

Jesus, it’s hard not to be mean or angry when someone is mean to me. Please help me to slow down and control my anger when I’m upset. Amen.



Chapter 16

Anne’s fun tea party with Diana ends sadly when Mrs. Barry says Diana can no longer play with Anne. Why do you think Mrs. Barry wouldn’t believe the truth?

Anne says there is nothing left to do but pray. She’s right. Prayer is the best thing we can do in hard times. Read Romans 8:34.

Dear Lord, thank You that I can come to You with any problem or misunderstanding. When I’m having a tough time, please help me remember to pray first. Amen.

Chapter 17

When she goes back to school, Anne is surprised that all the girls missed her. She loves the sweet gifts they give her. Tell about a time when someone made you feel better.

Sometimes God sends a special gift into our lives right when we need it most. He knows just what you need. Read Isaiah 41:17-18.

Lord Jesus, I'm so glad You take care of me all the time. Please help me think of a way to show my friends that I care about them today. Amen.



Chapter 18

Anne is able to save Minnie May's life because of her experience taking care of babies. What are some ways you've learned to help your mom or dad?

God uses all of the things you're learning right now to help prepare you for when you're older. He works all things for good, even the hard things! Read Romans 8:28.

Lord, thank You for teaching me important lessons today so that I can follow You and be faithful to You today, tomorrow, and every day. Please work all things for good in my life. Amen.

Chapter 19

Anne is brave when she goes to talk to Diana's Aunt Josephine after they jump on her in the middle of the night. Can you think of a time when you had to be brave?

In the Bible, Daniel had to be very brave. Take time to read his story today in your Bible and think about the lessons his story can teach you. Read Daniel 6.

Dear God, thank You for Your promise to help me be brave. I know You're beside me all the time, especially when I need extra courage. Amen.

Chapter 20

Anne truly belongs at Green Gables now. She's lived there for a year and is so happy. What has made you really happy this past year?

When you ask Jesus to come into your heart to be your Lord and Savior, He makes you into a new creation. He is helping you grow in your faith and turn from sin each day! Read Psalm 92:12-13.

Lord Jesus, thank You for saving me and for making me more like You every day. Please help me to grow and flourish in my faith and my love for You. Amen.

Chapter 21

After her trouble with the cake for Mrs. Allan, Anne is thankful that "tomorrow is a new day with no mistakes in it yet." Have you ever felt like Anne?

We all make mistakes, don't we? The Bible tells us that every day *is* a new day with God. There is always fresh hope and new strength each morning. Read Lamentations 3:22-23.

Thank You, God, for Your new mercies each day. Please teach me to learn from my mistakes and keep trying my hardest. Amen.

Chapter 22

In this chapter, Anne grows closer to Mrs. Allan and can talk to her about everything. Who do you talk to about everything?

We all need Christian people in our lives to help us grow. The Bible says that we become wise when we walk with people who are wise. Read Proverbs 13:20.

Lord God, please help me to listen carefully to people in my life who love You and follow Your ways. I want to be wise and make good choices. Amen.



Chapter 23

Anne makes a bad decision because she doesn't want to look bad in front of Josie and the other girls. Have you ever done something you wish you hadn't?

Anne's walk on the ridgepole is a good lesson about keeping our feet on God's paths where we are safe and not walking off on our own paths. Read Proverbs 4:26-27.

Dear God, please help me to stay on Your paths. Teach me to stop, think, and pray before I do or say something I shouldn't do or say. Amen.

Chapter 24

Things run smoothly and cheerfully in the "schoolhouse of faith" when we all stay on track, work hard, and get along. What are some things that help you grow in your faith?

Your schoolhouse of faith includes talking with God, reading the Bible, learning Bible verses, going to church, and living in a way that honors Jesus. Read Colossians 2:6-7.

Lord, I want to learn more about what it means to be Your disciple. Please show me how to grow in my faith and get along with my friends and family. Amen.

Chapter 25

Matthew's Christmas gift for Anne is perfect. It's what she wants most: a dress with puffed sleeves! What is one of your favorite gifts you've received?

God loves to give good gifts to His children. It's important to thank God for our blessings each day so that we appreciate them. Every good gift is from Him! Read James 1:17.

Lord God, thank You for the many blessings You have given to me and my family. I am grateful to You for many things, but I am especially thankful for these things today: _____ (your list). Amen.



Chapter 26

Anne is certainly right that sometimes it's hard to go back to normal life after something very exciting. What is something you're looking forward to this month?

On regular days we spend our time doing chores, practicing things, studying, working hard, and learning to follow God. Your everyday faithfulness is very pleasing to God! Read Luke 16:10.

Dear God, please help me to be faithful in small things each day. Help me stay on task, learn well, try hard, and listen carefully to my parents and teachers. Amen.

Chapter 27

Anne didn't realize how much she liked her long curly hair (even though it's red) until it's all cut off. Have you ever realized something about yourself that you didn't know before?

Many times God shows us our blind spots when we go through hard times or make mistakes. He helps us see our weak points so we can grow more like Jesus. Read Psalm 139:24.

Lord God, please show me my blind spots this week. Help me to see if I have any personal habits or attitudes that need more work. Amen.



Chapter 28

Even after Gilbert saves Anne when her boat springs a leak, she still can't forgive him. Why is it sometimes tough to forgive someone who is mean to you?

Forgiveness is hard! When we become Christians, we learn to forgive others not because they deserve it or because we want to, but because our loving God forgave us. Read Colossians 3:13.

Dear Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross for my sins so I could be forgiven of my sins and have eternal life. Please set me free from angry feelings and grudges. Amen.

Chapter 29

Anne enjoys visiting the city and staying at Miss Barry's fancy house, but she realizes that she belongs at Green Gables. What do you like most about being in your home?

God has a plan and a purpose for your life, and He has placed you right where you live for a reason. He wants you to tell people about Jesus wherever you go. Read Mark 5:19-20.

Jesus, please help me to love my family members, be a blessing to others, and share about my faith with my friends and neighbors. Amen.

Chapter 30

Anne has many people in her life who help guide her and mentor her. She is careful to learn from them and get direction from them. Who are the mentors and teachers in your life?

It's important to think carefully about who we hang out with, what we watch, what we read, what we talk about, and what we do with our free time. Read Romans 12:2.

Lord God, thank You for the good influences in my life. Please lead me to choose activities that help me grow in my faith. Amen.

Chapter 31

Anne is growing up. She's quieter now and likes to think about things in her head. Do you like to talk a lot or are you more quiet?

No matter what our personality is like, we can all enjoy a quiet inner life with God. We can talk to Jesus in our hearts and reflect on what we're learning. Read 1 Peter 3:4.

Jesus, thank You for teaching me to pray out loud and in my head. Help me to have a quiet heart, even when things get crazy or I feel nervous or bored. Amen.

Chapter 32

Diana is a wonderful friend to Anne. She's always there for her, loving her and cheering her on. What is your definition of a supportive friend?

The Bible teaches us that a good friend is faithful and true. That means we are happy when our friends get good news and sad when they get bad news. Read Romans 12:15.

Lord, thank You that You are a friend to me at all times. Please show me how to comfort my friends when they're sad but also to jump for joy when they're happy. Amen.

Chapter 33

All the pretty gowns and fancy people at the White Sands Hotel make Anne wish she was back home, but she finds her voice and gives a wonderful performance. Have you ever had to do something that made you really nervous?

The lesson in this chapter is that true riches aren't in what we have. Eternal riches are found in a new life in Christ and in serving Him all our days. Read Matthew 6:20.

Jesus, teach me to know the riches of Your love. I thank You for the riches You've given me in Heaven and here on earth. Amen.

Chapter 34

Matthew, Marilla, and Anne have all changed for the better over the years as they've grown together in love. How have you blossomed and grown in the last few years?

God is always at work in our lives. He cares so much about you; He even knows how many hairs are on your head! Read Luke 12:7.

Dear God, thank You for how You are teaching me many good lessons as I grow up. Help me to blossom and become a person who loves You and honors You every day. Amen.



Chapter 35

Anne is learning to enjoy working hard at school for the sake of doing things well. What is one house chore or school subject you want to work harder at?

God loves a cheerful, hard worker. You don't have to be perfect; just do your best to serve Him with all your heart! Read Colossians 3:23.

Father, please help me to be a good worker at everything I do. Help me remember that I honor You when I am cheerful and helpful. Amen.



Chapter 36

In this chapter, Anne finds out that Matthew only ever wanted her. He's proud of his girl and loves her very much. Who is someone who always make you feel special?

Even before God made the world, He had a plan for your life and salvation. Isn't that amazing? In Christ, you are a precious child of God, chosen and wanted. Read Ephesians 1:4.

Lord, thank You for loving me and wanting me and choosing me. Please help me to remember that I am Your beloved child, always and forever. Amen.



Chapter 37

Anne goes through a very sad time in this chapter. Marilla, Diana, and her other friends love her and comfort her each day. What helps you feel better when you're sad?

Jesus is always there for you when you need comfort, especially when you feel sad or miss someone you love. Read Psalm 147:3.

Loving Father, thank You that You are always with me to comfort me, calm me, and love me. Help me share Your love and cheer up someone who is feeling sad today. Amen.

Chapter 38

In this chapter, Anne and Gilbert both make sacrifices for people they care about. What is one sacrifice you can make for someone else today?

God gave His only Son so that we might have eternal life. That's the biggest sacrifice in all of history. Take time today to thank Jesus for His sacrifice. Read Hebrews 12:2.

Thank You, Jesus, for giving Your life for me so that I could be in God's family forever. Please help me think of others before myself and do something special for someone today. Amen.



Special Invitation

When Anne finally gives up her old anger against Gilbert, they become wonderful friends. Is there anyone you need to forgive or be friends with again?

God has made a way for every person to come into His forever family. Read John 3:16. If you want to pray to accept Jesus as your Savior today, here is a prayer you can pray:

Dear Jesus, please forgive me of all my sins. Please come into my heart and wash me clean. Make me into a new creation. Be my Lord and my Savior today and forever. Thank You for loving me. Amen.

Your Story

Lucy Maud Montgomery, the author of *Anne of Green Gables*, had to try several times before her story about Anne was published. What is something you've had to try hard to do?

Your story about how you came to know and love Jesus is an important story to tell. Practice telling your story of faith with a family member today. Read 1 Peter 3:15.

Lord Jesus, thank You for loving me and saving me. Please help me be ready to tell people about my salvation story and help me pray for others to know You. Amen.

I hope you enjoyed these devotions! If you prayed to ask Jesus into your heart, that's great news! Jesus is so happy you did that. Make sure you tell a parent, teacher, or friend about your new faith in Jesus. You can pray and talk to Him anytime, anywhere. He loves you so much!

Blessings, Rachel