

# ARISE

*a battlecry prayer for moms*  
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*Heavenly Father*, we come before you as your daughters asking you to equip us as moms to ARISE.

We long to be strong in You and feel the fullness of Your mighty power at work in us. Please cause us to ARISE each morning with humble boldness, determined to put on the full armor of God, that we might take our stand against the devil's schemes. Lord, remind us that the struggle is not again flesh and blood . . . the whiny, whim-driven emotions of our tots or the independent streak of our eye-rolling of our teens . . . our forgetful, worn-down spouse . . . or the unreasonable expectations of others. Lord, our battle is against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

*Open our eyes to see this battle and to fight with the weapons you give us.*

Motivate us to put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, we may be able to stand our ground, and after we have done everything, to stand. Yes, Lord, we want to stand firm on behalf of our families — for the sake of our children. Show us how to put on the belt of truth and fully buckle it around our waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place. Fit our feet with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. O Jesus, you are our peace. Fill us with your presence.

Show us, God, how to take up our shield of faith, with which we can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Forgive us for our unbelief. Increase our faith, O Lord! Give us the desire to take upon us the helmet of salvation — yes, give us a bad hair day if we need that to remind us of this necessity — and may our hands be strong and able to hold the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

*Lord, may we be a generation of women who pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.*

May we be always mindful of the gift of prayer and power of it — always alert and always keeping on praying for all the Lord's people, especially our children and their fathers. Together, Lord, may we be women — moms — who will only speak the words you give to us and fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which we count it an honor to be your ambassador in chains. May we declare it fearlessly, as we should.

*May we arise to this battlecry.*

~ Inspired by Ephesians 6:10-20