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5 Prayers to Pray with Your Children about the Devastation in Israel

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In 1986, seven astronauts went up into space on the space shuttle Challenger. Among those brave astronauts was Christa McAuliffe, the first female to enter space. I remember watching it in my elementary school classroom as the teacher wanted us all to witness history being made. I watched with excitement as I saw the space shuttle take off. However, I found myself confused just a few minutes later when all I saw on the screen was a billow of fire and smoke. Our teacher explained that there was an explosion. She then told us that all those astronauts, including Christa, had died. As a young girl, I was emotionally shaken by what I saw. I had never seen anything negative on television before. It was jarring to realize those men and women I had just seen a few minutes ago were no longer alive and made history but for a completely different reason. In the same way, your kids may be jarred by what they see on the news regarding the attacks in Israel. Finding the right words to comfort your child during these brutal attacks may be difficult. As parents, we can use this as an opportunity to explain to our children that God is still in control, regardless of the chaos we may see on television. Even when the world feels out of control, prayer is one of the most powerful weapons we can use to yield our lives and control over to God. Here are five prayers to pray with your children about the conflict in Israel: Photo credit: ©GettyImages/rudi_suardi

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