

# A Prayer for Sons

## S IS FOR SALVATION

LORD, please bring my son to a saving faith in You. In lovingkindness, draw him to repentance. More than anything else, I want him to know You and love You with all his heart and soul and mind and strength. So draw him to Yourself, then complete the good work You begin in him by conforming him to the image of your blessed Son, Jesus Christ. Ground him in Your Word and sanctify Him in the Truth. Cultivate in him the fruit of the Spirit. May he glorify and honor you in everything he does and thinks and says and becomes. John 1:12; Mark 12:30; Romans 2:4; Philippians 1:6; Matthew 7:24; John 17:17; Galatians 5:22; 1 Corinthians 10:31

## O IS FOR OCCUPATION

LORD, Your Word tell us, "The mind of man plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps." I pray You will direct my son's steps. Make the way straight before him, especially in regard to the career he chooses to pursue. Take delight in his way, uphold him with Your hand, and guard him against feelings of overwhelm. Give him a heart to do his work cheerfully, as serving You rather than man. Give us, as his parents, wisdom as we counsel him and train him in the way he should go. Make him capable, competent, and conscientious to do all his work skillfully and well. Proverbs 16:9; Proverbs 4:11; Psalms 37:23; Ephesians 6:7; Proverbs 22:6; Proverbs 22:29

## N IS FOR NEEDS

LORD, teach my son to depend on You to supply all his needs — physical, spiritual, intellectual, and emotional — according to Your riches in glory. May he turn to You when he needs wisdom. May he wait upon You when he needs strength. May he trust in You when he needs direction. May he call upon You when he needs answers. May he take refuge in You when he feels weary and vulnerable. And may he see in You a friend who sticks closer than a brother. Philippians 4:19; James 1:5; Isaiah 40:31; Proverbs 3:5-6; Jeremiah 33:3; Psalm 118:8; Matthew 11:28; Proverbs 18:24

## S IS FOR SPOUSE

LORD, You said it is not good for man to be alone, so I pray You would bring my son a suitable spouse in your perfect timing. May she be a respectful and virtuous wife and a loving and devoted mother to his children. In the meantime, help my son use wisely his single years to serve you and to cultivate the qualities he will need as a husband and father. Genesis 2:18; Eph. 5:33; Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 90:12

