***A Graduate’s Prayer***

As I look toward the future   
Bright hope conducts this prayer,   
For I know the plans You have for me   
Were wrought with divine care.

Holy Spirit, lead me.   
Let me run at your command,   
Yet be still and know that You are God   
When trouble's close at hand.

Your Word will be a lamp for me,   
A guide to light my way,   
A solid place to set my feet,   
A compass when I stray.

May I live my life to praise You,   
Not for fortune, nor for fame,   
May everything I say and do   
Bring glory to your name.

May my eyes stay fixed upon You   
As I seek the way that's pure,   
Tasting your love and goodness   
Sleeping and rising secure.

Planted by your living streams   
I'll delight in all your ways,   
Hidden by your sheltering wings   
With new mercies for each day.

Even in a dangerous land   
When storms threaten to destroy,   
At the cross I'll stand upon the Rock   
My Strength, my Hope, my Joy.

Dear Lord, show me your favor,   
At all times keep me blessed,   
May your face ever shine upon me,   
With peace and perfect rest.

Amen.