**Prayers for Prodigals Part 1**

(based on Paul’s prayers for the Ephesians Chapters 3 and 4)

Pray they know that because of Jesus they may freely and confidently approach God.

Pray that they be strengthened with power through the Holy Spirit, so Christ may dwell in their hearts through faith.

Pray they are rooted and established in love. Pray they have the power to grasp how wide, long, high, and deep is God’s love for them.

Pray they will know God’s love that surpasses understanding and that they be filled with the fullness of God.

Pray they understand God is able to do more than they ask or imagine according to his power at work in them.

Pray they live a life worthy of the calling God gives to them.

Pray they will be humble, gentle, and patient, bearing with others in love.

Pray they will turn away from evil and their hearts would be softened as they turn towards God.

Pray they have a new attitude to put off old ways and put on new ways by walking in righteousness and holiness.

Pray they’ll walk in honesty and truth.

Pray they don’t harbor anger or bitterness and would work to resolve problems wisely.

Pray they are responsible and work steady, so they can provide for their needs and be able to help others in need.

Pray they speak words that are helpful to build others up, so it benefits those who listen.

Pray they don’t grieve the Holy Spirit and instead have hearts that are kind, compassionate and forgiving.