

Prayer for Those Serving in the Military - (For Soldiers)

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(For use by people serving in the military)

Praise to you, ever-watchful God,
for you are our refuge and strength
in every time and place.

Send your blessing
upon me and my comrades here
and upon all who serve our country
in the armed forces.

By your powerful Spirit
shield us from all harm
and give us your protection.

Uphold us in good times and bad,
especially when danger threatens.

Let your peace be the sentry
that stands guard over our lives,
so that we may return home safely.

Let your care for our parents, spouses,
children and loved ones
deepen their trust and give them courage.

Look with compassion on all victims of war;
ease their sufferings and heal their wounds.

Put an end to wars over all the earth,
and hasten the day when the human family
will rejoice in lasting peace.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns as the Prince of Peace,
both now and for ever. Amen.

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