

## An Open Letter To My Son

I reflect upon my heritage  
As I look into your face  
And I see Gods' goodness in your smile  
With His mercy, and His grace

I impart to you my son  
My name, my hope, my love  
I will build in you great things  
Wisdom, Honor, Hope from Above

Jesus has entrusted your life unto me  
So I dedicate your life unto Him  
And will form you into a man for our King  
And build in you mercy, faithfulness and truth

As we are encompassed by a mighty cloud of witnesses  
It is my duty, and my privilege to make you a man of God  
To shape in you excellency and honor  
That in your days you can change your world

I have given you my blood, and my name  
Now, I dedicate myself to ensure that you will receive  
Jesus' Blood, Jesus Name, and His life  
So that you may give these same gifts, to others in need

My Son, I give you my heritage, my history  
Among them are those both great and small  
Yet you must make of your life what you will  
Look on us as examples, but of yourself you must stand tall

We will give you a strong foundation  
That you may regally build  
Your part in God's grand nation  
And partake of that rich treasure of Calvary's hill

So in dedicating you unto the Living God  
The greatest of gifts we give you this day  
A life of goodness, richness and mercy  
And a foundation that will never sway

And in heaven, I will receive  
Ten thousand-fold blessing  
Of all I will give you  
When I can take your hand in mine  
And together, we will rejoice around his throne

*for*

**Audric Anton Albert Arneault**

*On this, the day of your  
Dedication unto the Lord  
November 5th, 2000  
by your father  
Jonathan Craig Arneault*