



## HOW TO PRAY FOR THE LOST

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### Jesus, I pray:

You will draw the lost to you in true faith and repentance (John 6:44).

You will quicken the lost who are dead in sins and trespasses (Ephesians 2:1).

You will prepare them to hear and receive the Word of God (Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23).

Lost souls will understand the gospel when presented to them (Matthew 13:4, 19).

You open the heart of those unsaved so they will repent, be baptized, and be filled with the Holy Ghost (Acts 2:38).

The lost will not trust in themselves but will trust in You (Galatians 2:16).

You will cause the lost to hate sin and that You will break the power of those sins that are hindering them from coming to You (Mark 9:43-47).

The unsaved would surrender and follow You (Luke 9:23).

The lost will feel the weight of their burden of sin and will long to come to You for rest and forgiveness and salvation (Matthew 11:28-30).

The lost will make a genuine commitment to you (Luke 14:24-33).

Because You came into the world to save sinners; I plead with You to save those who are in need of Your grace and mercy (I Timothy 1:13-16).

You would humble the lost so that they see their need of You (Psalm 18:270)

### Praying for the Lost

- Pray believing God will accomplish His will (Mark 11:24). Prayer is the key, but faith unlocks the door. We must pray believing that God is working in the sinner's heart and preparing him to be receptive to God's touch.
- Pray realizing that with God all things are possible (Mark 10:27). Recognize God is in the picture and nothing is too hard for God. In our praying most of us never get beyond human limitations and boundaries. We whittle God down to our own size and power.
- Pray asking that the soul be saved for God's glory (John 14:13). We should not pray for a soul to be saved that they may be a better husband or wife, rather so they will no longer dishonor God in their sins.
- Pray beseeching God to awaken them (Matthew 13:13, 15). Every sinner needs the Holy Spirit to reveal their sinful condition. We should pray that the Holy Spirit will "quicken" their conscience, plow up their heart, and bring conviction in their soul. Only then can Christ be revealed to them.
- Pray claiming the soul which the blood of Christ has purchased (II Timothy 2:26). In one sense every soul is God's purchased possession, though still held by Satan through unbelief. We must through prayer claim and take for God that which is rightfully His.
- Pray claiming the tearing down of Satan's strongholds in that soul (II Corinthians 10:4). The enemy has built up lies, false doctrine, stumbling blocks, and many other strongholds in the minds of the unsaved. We must through prayer rebuke the enemy and claim the tearing down of his lies that are keeping the sinner from committing to Jesus Christ.
- Pray persevering against the enemy (Luke 18:7). We persevere not to persuade God but because of the enemy. In persistent intercession we push back the forces of evil. We are getting the enemy off of God's territory. Now pray for that lost soul God has laid on your heart, claiming these truths.