



**DEVELOPING A  
STRATEGY  
TO PRAY FOR YOUR  
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**WHAT WE HAVE LOOKED AT SO FAR:**

- *Faith Leads To Assurance and Confidence*
- *Faith Can and Will Grow*
- *We Can and Do Focus On The Promises Of Scripture*
- *We Ask God To Do His Work In Us & Grow Our Faith*
- *We See God Answer Our Prayers*

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**10 REASONS TO BELIEVER FOR YOU LOST LOVED ONES SALVATION**

***1. GOD WANTS EVERYONE TO BE SAVED***

***2. GOD IS ABLE TO SAVE***

***3. SALVATION IS HIS TO GIVE***

***4. HIS NAME IS SAVIOR – BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT HE DOES***

***5. GOD'S PASSION IS TO SAVE***

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***6. JESUS WAS WILLING TO LEAVE HEAVEN & BECOME HUMAN IN ORDER TO SAVE US***

***7. HE WAS ALSO WILLING TO DIE TO SAVE US***

***8. GOD'S HEART IS A HEART OF MERCY FOR THE LOST***

***9. JESUS IS ON A MISSION HE HAS COME TO SEEK AND SAVE THE LOST***

***10. SALVATION IS THE CENTRAL THEME OF THE ENTIRE BIBLE***

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- **WHAT WE PRAY: Being Strategic in Salvation**
- **PURPOSE:** *'To go to heaven and take as many people with me as I can.'*

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**There Is A Veil That Keeps Unbelievers From Clearly Seeing The Gospel**

**A Veil:**

- **2 a thing that conceals, disguises, or obscures: an eerie veil of mist.**
- *Concise Oxford English dictionary (11th ed.). Oxford University Press.*

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**STRATEGY #1 – WE PRAY TO REMOVE THE VEIL**

- **2 Corinthians 4:3–4 (NIV) — 3** And even if our gospel is veiled, it is **veiled to those who are perishing.** **4** The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.
- **they don't see the gospel because they can't see it – It Is Covered Up**

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**STRATEGY #2 -- THEIR PRIDE MUST BE DEALT A DEATH BLOW**

- People reject Christ because they don't think they need him
- Many think they're good enough; they've done enough.
  
- *Pride Is A Spiritual Strong Hold That Needs To Be Overcome*



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• **2 Corinthians 10:3–5 (NIV)** — **3** For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. **4** The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. **5** We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

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- **2 Corinthians 10:3–5 (NLT)** — **3** *We are human, but we don't wage war as humans do. 4 We use God's mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments. 5 We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ.*
- ***Our Weapons Are Not Based On Human Techniques, Methods, Understanding Or Intellect***
- ***'Biblical Repentance Only Comes From Biblical Revelation' – Dutch Sheets***

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**God Has A Divinely Weaponized Plan For Breaking Human Pride**

- *Weapon #1 -- All Forms Of Prayer (Ephesians 6: 18)*
- *Weapon #2 -- Praise*
- *Weapon #3 -- The Word Of God*
- *Weapon #4 -- The Name Of Jesus*
- *Using These Weapons To Beat Back The Enemy: **We Can Ask God To Lift The Veil From The Spiritual Lives Of Unbelieving Loved Ones***

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• **Ephesians 1:17–18 (NIV)** — **17** I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. **18** I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,

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**WE PRAY FOR REVELATION NOT JUST INFORMATION**

- *Information Is Of The Mind & Intellect*
- *Revelation Comes Into Our Hearts By The Spirit Of God*
- **We Pray For Revelation For Our Lost Loved Ones**

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***Since Prayer Is What Opens Up The Lives Of These Lost Ones To Christ –  
WE WILL PRAY!!***

- Their Hearts Will Be Prepared And Good Soil For Seed***
- Satan Will Not Be Able To Steal The Seed***
- Nothing Will Destroy The Seed***
- The Word Becomes Revelation Through The Lifting Of The Veil***
- The Root Of Pride Will Be Broken In Them***
- They Come To True Repentance***

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***Our Prayers Are Keys To Lifting The Veil And For Enlightenment To Come***

- ***WE PRAY FOR THE LOST...*** *for truth to be revealed*
- ***WE PRAY FOR OURSELVES*** *to be salt, light, truth*
- ***WE PRAY FOR THEM*** – *to know the truth that would set them free*
- ***WE PRAY FOR RELATIONSHIPS*** *to flourish and grow & to know Christ*