

Pray First, Day 17 - For the Lost to See

2 Corinthians 4:1-6 NKJV

1 Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart. 2 But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. 3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. 5 For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

As we pray for others to know Christ we are praying something that brings joy to the heart of God. We are praying for people to come out of the darkness and into the light so that they, too, can know God through Jesus.

One of the reasons that we must pray is that the enemy has worked to deceive and blind people so that they might not see the truth. We pray so that the blinders might be removed and their ears unstopped so that they might see and hear and be saved.

Even as we seek God and ask Him to bless us and our families let us continue to pray for those who are yet to be found.

Prayer example:

"Heavenly Father I pray for those who are in my life that have been resistant to the truth of Your glory. I ask that You would remove blinders and the barriers so that they may be saved. Let souls be saved. Let my coworkers and community hear the message of hope in the gospel. Let the church be full of the redeemed and let it continue to grow and advance as we reach more people. I ask this in the name of Jesus, amen."