

# Prayer is How the Lost Get Found

Week of January 22, 2017



## SEEKING GOD THROUGH PRAYER

These Digging Deeper questions can be used the week following the Sunday message. You can use these questions for personal growth and development, or as a guide for your family or Connect Group discussions.

## Message Recap:

Read Acts 2:42-47

Sharing God's love with the lost begins with seeking God. The more we seek God, the more we share his heart. And the more we seek him, the more we love him. When we love him, we love what he loves—people. All people.

Loving people starts with praying for them because prayer is how the lost get found.

If you pray for lost people they will be saved. No one is unreachable. No one is unlovable. No one is un-saveable. When we pray for lost people, we will begin to see men, women, boys and girls come to know Jesus in ways we have not seen before because it will be the power of God's Spirit changing lives.

## Pray

Lord, help me to fully understand that nothing is impossible for you. I want to seek after you, I want to share your heart and I want to love those who are lost, the way you do. Lord, give me the fortitude to pray for those who need Christ—especially those who I think are lost causes. Your heart teaches me that no one is a lost cause.

## Getting Started

- Have you ever had a time when the Spirit urged you to pray and you obeyed and saw God's hand in the situation?
- What has been happening in your prayer life right now?

## Digging Deeper

1. What would change in your life if you actively sought after God in prayer?
2. Why is this true: The more we love Father, the more we love what Father loves.
3. Read Matthew 20:28 and Matthew 28:16-20. How do you/will you give your life to reach the lost?
4. Who is someone you see as unreachable? Do you truly believe you can have an impact through prayer? How will you pray for this person?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 4:4. How does this explain why people are resistant to follow God? What can you do to combat the god of this world?
6. What areas of your life show Christ to those around you? What areas of your life need to be covered in prayer?

Spend the remaining time of your meeting in prayer for one another and the people on your list from Sunday.

## Living Jesus

When we love like Father loves- we will live like Jesus lived. Let's go out this week and show our Father's unrelenting love to those who seem unreachable. The early church saw many thousands of souls saved, launching a great movement of God. How? They prayed in the power of the Spirit! If you start regularly, faithfully, and specifically praying for the lost, you will see people being saved! It's time to let the Spirit empower you to creatively reveal the love of the Father through the life of the Son.