

Sermon Questions

1 Timothy 2:1-8

This week we discussed the importance of prioritizing prayer for the lost. Praying for the lost to hear and experience a witness of the Gospel is of primary importance in the local church. Sometimes as believers we set up fences between ourselves and believers and instead of praying for them to hear the Gospel we fight them on the ground of principles. Paul instructs Timothy that the primary witness in a church should be that all of God's people are praying for everybody. This means that people in our culture that are far from God, should be regularly lifted up in prayer believing that if God changed their heart, the world would be a different place. May we be encouraged this week to pray for the lost in our sphere of influence.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Prioritizing Prayer for the Lost

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Prioritizing prayer for the lost focuses on...

The prayers of God's people for all people (1,8)

The passion for lost people and God appointed leaders who answer the call (2,7)

The payment made by Jesus Christ in order to redeem all people (3,6)

The plan of salvation through the God-man, Jesus Christ (4,5)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [HERE](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. How primary was pray in the life of Jesus Christ? When do you see Jesus Christ praying in the Scriptures? Why did the disciples want to learn how to pray?
2. Should men in the church be praying? How should they be leading the charge of prayer? Why should men lift up holy hands? Why is lifting our hands an act of surrender?

3. How does praying for the lost remind me of how much Jesus Christ loves them? Who do you need to pray for in order to receive God's heart for them? Why is praying for the lost more effective than fighting against principles that the lost lack?
4. Why are we called to pray for our leaders and those in authority over us? What is God able to do through our prayers (see Proverbs 21:1)? How much more should we be praying for our leaders than complaining about them?
5. How can praying help us develop a passion for the lost? How can praying for the lost help us see more leaders raised up to answer that call? Knowing that you are Christ's witnesses, who can you be praying for in your sphere of influence?
6. How does sharing the Gospel increase our prayer life? How does our prayer life increase our willingness to share the Gospel? Why should we be engaged with both? How can you be an encouragement to yourself and others to stay engaged in these two disciplines?
7. Who did Jesus Christ die for? Whose penalty of sin was paid for on the cross? If Christ died for everyone then how should we be engaged in sharing the Gospel? What are we really trying to communicate to people?
8. How much of our sin did Jesus pay for? Which sins were paid for? How much of our sin are we able to pay for? If you have trusted Jesus Christ for the payment of all your debt what level of gratitude should you live with? How thankful should you be on a regular basis?
9. How many people does God desire to be saved? What is his desire for every person that you are interacting with? How should that help your attitude when you deal with that person?
10. As you consider God's plan of salvation, who are the people you may want to see saved, but you wouldn't want to be seen with at church? Would you be willing to pray for God to change your prejudice? Would you ask God to give you a love for that person or group of people that you at times despise that He died for?
11. Who is God able to save? Who in your mind is far from salvation that you need to pray for on a regular basis? Do you believe that God can answer your prayers?
12. Who are 2-3 people you will commit to pray for on a regular basis (start with people who annoy you)? Will you be bold and ask God to provide opportunities for you to share the Gospel? How will you begin to keep your eyes open for opportunities to share the Gospel?
13. What is your biggest take-a-way from this message? What does God want you to apply right now in your life?