

Intercession for the Lost

Focus Praying

This Prayer Group Meets
for One Purpose:
To Pray For The Lost

Inspired by the Holy Spirit and
Dick Eastman Training
From Dick Eastman's Book
Love On Its Knees

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Matthew 9:38 (GW) So ask the Lord who gives this harvest to send workers to harvest his crops."

Luke 10:2 (The Message) "What a huge harvest! And how few the harvest hands. So on your knees; ask the God of the Harvest to send harvest hands.)



Prayer Nets

Religious People came out to see John the Baptist...He said, "why are you here?" And they said, "We are curious."

And John said, "I am not here for the curious, I am here for the serious." [Paraphrased]

So, this part of the Army of God is not for the curious. It is for the serious. We pray for the Lost out of love; to keep them from "perishing". Luke 13:1-5 "Except you repent, you shall likewise perish."

We believe this is vital in accomplishing God's heart.

This is not for the un-surrendered. This is not for the cafeteria pray-ers, or the mini-prayer-ers, or the few-second breath pray-ers, or the voice-mail to God pray-ers, or the pray-without-ceasing pray-ers.

This Prayer Army is in battle against the darkness over individuals, churches, cities, states, countries, and nations, and the opening of the eyes of the blind.

If you doubt that you are surrendered to humble yourself for an hour at a time to do battle and intercede for the lost, this message is not to you.

If you can humble yourself before God for an hour or more of battle in intercession on behalf of those He died for, this is your prayer group.

If you will lovingly commit to one hour a week, or day to this warfare, then welcome to the Special Forces of God.

Yes, it is total commitment. It is not temporary or optional. If you make the commitment, then you do it in God's Presence, I am only a messenger (flawed in too many ways) to present this commitment to you. Only God and the one who offered you this booklet will know.

Please return the book if you cannot commit.

Jesus said, "Could you not watch (pray) with me an hour?"

Matthew 26:40 Mark 14:37

My prayer is this:

"Father, in Jesus Name, help me to pray for the lost. Help me to be fully surrendered and fully committed to your purpose of saving the lost. I am weak and must depend on you to teach me to pray. I believe what I've read in this booklet, and I believe you want me to intercede for the lost. I am ready to pray and listen to your Spirit in special times of intercession. I am not committing to pray out of emotion or duty. I am convinced that we, as an Army, can change the lives of individuals by expelling the darkness around them in order that they can see the light of the Glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are committed to be co-laborers with you and your laborers in the field. Please give me the desire to make a life-long commitment to pray for the lost.

This Focus Prayer Group For The Lost is an invisible Army. We are the unseen who have God's power to tear down the gates of hell. We do not meet regularly except at the Throne of God. We may never see each other except in the Spirit as we intercede, and, when we stand before the Lord to give account of our lives.

Amen

Training may or may not be available through the church. But we recommend Dick Eastman's Book, LOVE ON ITS KNEES. It may be out of print, but available on the Internet.

John 15:16 KJV "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, He may give it you."

History of Every Home For Christ

Since Every Home for Christ International's inception in 1946 from the founder's small garage in Saskatchewan, Canada, the ministry has experienced significant international growth. Originally operating as a radio broadcast ministry called Tract Club of the Air, which made tracts available free to all who requested them, EHC founder, Jack McAlister, expanded the vision globally and by 1952 changed the name of the ministry to World Literature Crusade, moving the headquarters to Southern California.

During those same early years, it became clear to Jack that to reach a nation literally with the Gospel, the only certain, measurable way was to take the gospel message systematically, home by home, which was the early Church method. Thus, in 1953 the first Every Home Campaign was born in Japan. Before long, Every Home Campaigns were conducted globally. (To date Every Home Campaigns have been conducted in 196 nations.) In order to reflect the nature of this global focus more fully, the international name of the ministry was changed in 1987 to a "dba — doing business as" status of Every Home for Christ (EHC).

Although we still retain the legal name of World Literature Crusade. For over 60 years, Every Home for Christ (EHC) has been working actively throughout the world with more than 500 mission agencies and denominations to strategically plant the gospel message in hundreds of millions of homes all over

the world through door-to-door, face-to-face evangelism contacts.

Every Home for Christ, with a full-time staff of over 1,200 workers plus over 14,000 volunteer associates, has systematically distributed over 2.4 billion gospel messages, home to home, in 196 nations of the world, resulting in over 52.7 million decision cards being mailed to EHC's many offices overseas and the establishing of over 111,000 village New Testament fellowships called "Christ Groups."

In areas where illiterate people groups exist, EHC distributes gospel records and audiotapes, including the amazing "card talks" (cardboard record players).

Following are ministry highlights since 1946:

- Every Home evangelism campaigns have now been conducted in 196 nations.
- First Every Home Campaign (systematic, home-to-home campaign using literature) launched in Japan in 1953.
- EHC gospel booklets and Bible correspondence courses are printed in languages spoken by 96 percent of the earth's population.
- Total home-to-home coverage has been completed at least once in 96 nations, including India, with 600,000 villages. An average of 50,000 new homes with at least 250,000 inhabitants are reached with the Gospel every day through EHC outreaches.

- Over 2.4 billion gospel messages with response cards have been distributed.
- More than 52.7 million decision/response cards have been received — an average of almost 2,000 a day.
- Each response card is followed up with a four-part Bible correspondence course.

Over 90 offices are currently maintained worldwide, and special plans are underway to launch EHC initiatives among the world's more than 15,000 least-evangelized people groups.

Dick Eastman's Testimony
International President of Every Home For Christ

In the thirteenth chapter of Love On Its Knees, Dick Eastman tells about a vision for the lost. He begins on page 157...."something profound was happening in my own life. God was placing in my heart a yearning for more of Himself, a hunger that was to explode on a life-changing Wednesday night in 1971."

On that evening I arrived at church an hour-and-a-half before our regular midweek youth intercessory prayer meeting. I made my way to a secluded storage area behind the platform of our church where I often went to find a quiet place to pray. Hidden away amid the boxes of costumes and props for Christmas and Easter pageants, I began to seek the Lord for an outpouring of His Spirit upon the youth of our church.

At first nothing out of the ordinary happened. Then, without much forethought, I asked God a simple, direct question. Hearing His voice in my heart was an entirely new experience, but that night I found I was expecting an answer.

"What do you want me to do with my life?" I asked the Lord.

Suddenly I heard the most startling answer. The words were surprisingly clear: "*Because you have asked me this night, I will tell you this night.*" I had never heard the Lord

speak so clearly. Tears began to flow as I waited for what was to follow.

The answer came not as a voice but a picture, alive with movement. I saw an army of God's people marching. It was a remarkable sight. The army, six to eight abreast, stretched as far as the eye could see. It formed a vast column that seemed to continue forever.

"Who are these people, Lord," I cried, "and where are they going?"

A quiet answer followed: "*This is the army of intercessors who will change the world. I'm calling you to help mobilize this army.*"

Before I could respond the picture changed. I was looking at a large white-frame mansion. Coming and going from the building were clean-cut young people carrying Bibles, unusual in a day when communes were everywhere and long-haired youths living together was common.

"*These are residents at a house of prayer,*" the Lord told me. Each person had made a commitment to give a significant "time gift" for intercessory prayer. Some were there for the summer, most for an entire year.

Then the Lord took me inside the building. A large sign was attached to the door on my right at the entrance. The sign was hand-painted, as if by one of the young people, and it quoted a portion of Ezekiel: "I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge and stand in the gap before me for the land..."(Ezekiel 22:30) Just above the Scripture were the words *THE GAP*.

The door opened slowly. Looking inside this room designated the Gap I saw a young lady, perhaps nineteen years of age. She had long brown hair, and silver-rimmed glasses and she was kneeling at a small table upon which rested a globe. As I watched, she lifted the globe a few inches off the table and began to weep.

Then a young man came into the Gap and the girl transferred her burden to him. After a while, he, too, passed the globe to another. This continued as I watched in silence.

"Lord, this beautiful," I said softly.

He responded with the challenge, "*I want you to bring into being exactly what you have seen here.*"

The vision was over. There, in the storage room behind the platform of our church, I heard our own young people beginning to arrive for the evening.

That night I shared the vision with our youth. There was unusual excitement and the young people assured me they were ready to bring my vision to life. I knew that night that God wanted me to find the white-framed building and transform it into a prayer center.

Within six months God did give us our first "house of prayer" in Sacramento, California. Within five years God gave me one hundred young people, each committed to a year of intercession. They supported themselves by "praying in" the finances to help us continue our ministry. Out of those 50,000 continuous hours of prayer, day and night, including holidays, God gave birth to prayer training that ultimately touched over a million believers in more than 120 countries of the world.

It all began when a hundred young people made themselves available for a year of prayer. Later, when asked how my prayer ministry began, I could say, "It started with a century's worth of prayer." One hundred youths sanctifying a year of their lives equaled a century's worth of prayer commitment.

Changing the World

A second life-changing vision occurred nine years later. By that time the first vision had become a reality, God had given up our prayer center and thousands of additional Gap Ministries had sprung up in houses and churches throughout the world, often in unusual circumstances. A Lutheran day school teacher built a Gap shaped like Noah's ark. There her pre-school children went for as long as thirty minutes a day of prayer. It was often difficult to get the children to stop praying. They had discovered prayer could be fun.

Years later I visited a church in Malaysia that had grown to nearly 5,000 members in less than eight years. This church, thriving in a land where the law prohibits witnessing to a Muslim, had a center where intercessors came for days of concentrated prayer. When entering the center I noticed each door leading to a private prayer room had a Gap sign similar to the one I had seen in my vision.

Later I learned that a brother from New Zealand was sharing our vision everywhere. He has passed through the region several years earlier.

As the years passed and the army began to increase, God opened the doors for me to take this prayer vision to many nations through the ministry of World Literature Crusade, now Every Home For Christ. The founder Dr. Jack McAlister, having heard of our prayer ministry and believing prayer to be essential to the ultimate evangelization of the world, asked

me to join his staff to develop prayer training for believers of all denominations.

Not realizing I would someday serve Every Home For Christ as their international president, I joined the ministry and developed the Change the World School of Prayer. The School of Prayer was (and continues to be) a training course designed to strengthen believers to consider giving God a gift of one hour daily for personal prayer. Based on Christ's challenge to His disciples, "Could you not watch one hour?" More than 200,000 Christians have made the commitment as of 1997. Thousands more have agreed to invest fifteen or thirty minutes a day.

But as the army began to grow, I became increasingly concerned about focusing all this prayer energy on what would bring Christ the most glory. Prayer, after all, is not given as a means to gain increased material or spiritual pleasure, though personal blessings do result from a healthy prayer experience. Rather, prayer is God's supreme gift to assist the Church in establishing His Kingdom throughout the earth.

As I continued my search of the Scriptures concerning the importance of prayer, I became convinced that believers are engaged in spiritual war that must be waged on biblical principles. Just as Satan has an established order in the invisible realm, so believers must develop a strategy to stand effectively against those forces. The more I traveled, the more convinced I became that every region of the world has a controlling spirit ruling over it. It became evident that something must be developed to restrain these forces.

Which is the background to the second major vision experience in my life. It occurred following several days of fasting and prayer during a trip to Michigan. My devotional time in my motel room beside Lake Michigan began much like that of any other day. I had come to the final chapters of the book of Revelation in my daily Bible reading, and pausing to meditate on the literal nature of the Lamb's Book of Life, I suddenly found myself longing to pray about names *yet to be added* to this most unusual celestial records. And I blurted out a most unusual prayer.

"Lord," I prayed, "please let me participate in a movement that adds more names to the Book of Life than have been added in all of history."

It was a bold prayer, indeed, but somehow I felt the Holy Spirit had led me to say the words. Tears began to flow as I stood up and walked to the window of my motel room. Before me was the vast expanse of Lake Michigan lying placidly like a giant sheet of glass. As the sun's rays sparkled off the lake, I saw millions of tiny diamond like burst of light dancing in the distance. It reminded me of the description in Revelation of the multitude of redeemed humanity who will someday stand upon a sea of glass (Revelation 15:2). Then I recalled the promise of how "blood-washed" souls would come out of every kindred, tongue, people, and nation (Revelation 5:9). I was convinced God had appointed the moment to reveal to me the role of intercessors in global evangelism.

Lifting my face in anticipation, I experienced the second vision that would impact my ministry so strongly.

Before me, in a large arena, stood a multitude representing every age group. I sensed that all these people in the arena were committed intercessors. Each held a page containing names.

I wondered what these names represented, and why everyone in the massive gathering of believers had a personal list.

Suddenly my attention was drawn in the opposite direction. There I saw a throne and an angel who held a huge book. As I watched, each intercessor came to the throne and presented their list of names.

One individual caught my particular attention. She was well beyond seventy years of age. But although her face was wrinkled and her hair gray, she beamed with the joy of Jesus.

Soon she, too, was standing before the angel presenting her list of names. As the angel began recording the names in the great Book, I asked the Lord what all this meant. *"These are the names of souls these warriors helped bring to a knowledge of My Salvation."*

"Where did the intercessors get these names?" I prayed. *"Come, and I will show you,"* came the answer.

With that I saw this elderly saint, on her knees, flying swiftly through the heavenlies. It was a strange sight. In my spirit I knew she was entering a level of warfare I had never seen, and that she was flying thousands of miles. In an instant, she descended to hover over a village that seemed to me to be in India, although I had never been there. My attention was drawn to a hut that appeared to be the focus of the saint's intercession.

The hut was modest, even by the standards of the village. Within were a small table, a chair, and a bed. Its lone occupant was a middle-aged man who appeared to be of Indian descent, most likely a Hindu.

As the intercessor continued in prayer above the hut, I noticed that even with the sun shining brightly, the hut was dark.

Then I noticed movement in the village. A man was distributing Gospel literature. He paused at the hut and knocked gently. When the occupant opened the door the worker handed him a Gospel booklet.

Through all this the elderly saint remained stationary in the heavenlies as if waiting for something.

Closing the door, the Hindu read a few sentences that told him about a loving heavenly Father who came to earth in the form of a man, God's only Son, a concept beyond the Hindu's comprehension. He believed there are many gods, perhaps millions. A monkey could be a god, or a cow or snake. Even a tree might be an object of worship. "One God, one Son," he thought. "Nonsense." He tossed the book on the table. It seemed the darkness of the room prevented his comprehension of the truth.

The man's rejection of the message seemed to be the cue the intercessor was waiting for. Into the darkness she plunged, through the roof of the hut, landing on her knees. The Hindu had no idea she was there.

Reaching her hands forward along the floor, with her palms up, the elderly woman appeared to be lifting something. Then I realized what she was doing. She was lifting the darkness in

the room! The more she prayed, the more the darkness moved. When she had raised it high enough, she slowly moved from her knees and began pushing the darkness toward the ceiling from a crouched position, a few inches at a time, as she continued her intercession. Before long she had pushed the darkness above the man and was standing stretched to her capacity, warring all the while against the satanic darkness.

The instant the darkness rose above the man's head, he turned again toward the table, gazing intently upon the message he had earlier rejected. Now there was a different look on his face, a look of longing.

He walked to the table and took the booklet into his hand. I could hear his thoughts as he slowly read the opening sentences a second time. "Perhaps I was hasty in rejecting this message," he reasoned. As he read again the claims of Christ, an amazing thing happened. He lifted his face toward heaven, his unseen praying guest contending against the darkness beside him, and he cried out to the Lord, "I believe you are the Son of God!"

Joy flooded the faces of both the new convert and the elderly intercessor. A miracle was happening before my eyes. In that instant a brilliant beam of light penetrated the hut and flowed into the heart of the new believer. He had seen the light—literally. All darkness in the room vanished. The intercessor's work, at least for the moment, had ended.

Still unseen by the rejoicing Indian, the intercessor stepped from the hut and pulled a piece of paper from her pocket. I recognized it immediately. It was the list she had presented to the angel with the Book. The happy warrior

added the man's name to her long list. Then, with a shout of praise, she tucked the list back into her pocket and headed for a hut across the way.

For the next several minutes I sat wondering quietly about the strange picture I had just witnessed. Had my imagination run wild or had I truly observed an intercessor in action? God's Word would hold the answer. Any vision must find confirmation in God's Word.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See...thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the arm. Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. Isaiah 60: 1-5 NIV

Other confirming passages followed. As I evaluated these biblical insights, four facts regarding the intercessor's conflict with the darkness on behalf of lost souls emerged. These facts are explained completely in the book, **Love On Its Knees.**

I will touch on these four facts and proceed to the confirmation of Dick Eastman's vision.

1. The Desire of the Lord -to Save
2. The Plan of the Enemy
3. The Duty of the Church
4. The Role of the Intercessor.

The Vision Confirmed

Six years following my unusual vision of the elderly intercessor and her global prayer mission, God confirmed the validity of the vision in an unusual way.

It happened when I made my first trip to India. There I visited all the major regions of that vast and complex land. As I traveled through the countryside I was overwhelmed by the many huts that looked exactly like the hut I first observed in my prayer time six years earlier.

Departing India, I began reading Paul Pillai's book *India's Search for the Unknown Christ*. Unexpectedly, when I came to page 212, I couldn't keep back the tears. The author told about a Hindu leader in the Arya Samag sect who lived many years ago in the region of Rajasthan. He was an angry man consumed with a passion to fight all Christian work. More than once he stopped young Christians who were witnessing and removed their Bibles and publicly burned them.

On one such occasion Paul Pillai himself had been a part of a team who encountered his hostility. They had been going house-to-house and standing on street corners distributing small Gospels of John.

Suddenly the angry man appeared and demanded their Gospel booklets. Keeping only one, perhaps as evidence, he set the remainder on fire. Then he threatened to kill anyone on the team who continued witnessing for Jesus. The man left the scene angrily with his evidence in hand, a lone copy of John's Gospel.

Three weeks later, Paul Pillai received a letter from that same man. He wrote that he had taken the Gospel of John home with him and after reading a few pages tossed it on the table in his hut, convinced it was filled with lies. But that night, in the blackness of the evening, he felt a strange presence in the room. The man couldn't get his mind off the booklet on the table. Finally he stood and made his way in darkness toward the table.

As he picked up the booklet for the second time, a supernatural light illumined the room. He looked down at the booklet and read: "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light...John 3:18 KJV.

In that instant he knelt down and received Christ as Savior. He declared later that in his search for truth, his eyes had been blinded by his own preconceived images.

Although my vision of six years earlier had several differences with the story I read, I was overwhelmed by the similarities. Had the unusual presence in the Hindu's room been the working of the Holy Spirit in response to an intercessor's prayers? Or, had the intercessor actually been there, in spirit, as the result of the operation of the Holy Spirit released through the intercessor's prayers?

I had no answers. But I am convinced that prayer plays a vital role in the conflict for a soul. It had happened to me.

True, by an act of my own will, I had chosen to believe. But somewhere, somehow, an intercessor confronted the darkness on my behalf. In my case I know the identity of the intercessor. It was my mother. She loved me on her knees. Her intercession drove away the darkness so that the light of Christ might penetrate my heart during days of youthful rebellion.

Beloved intercessor, the world is waiting for your love. I invite you to be a praying participant today in seeing names added to that glorious celestial record John describes in Revelation. Our final chapter will tell you how you can be involved in the greatest harvest in the history of the church-if we pray. *Dick Eastman*

Strategies for Victorious Warfare

Dick Eastman

Few truths have brought more significance to the life of the renovated Church in this century as the place and power of the prayer warrior. That calling in no way diminishes the conviction that the cross of Jesus Christ has achieved complete victory over the devil (Col. 2:14,15). On the contrary, this call to combat depends on what He has accomplished! Just as the mission to evangelize the world is based on the complete provision of salvation, the task of preparing our evangelistic efforts with the power of prayer, which opens the road to defeat the work of darkness in our time, is based on the blood of the Lamb (Rev. 12:9-12). The author of this study has taught hundreds of thousands of Christians in more than a hundred denominations in different countries to pray with greater effectiveness.

Before we get into strategies of spiritual warfare for the intercessor, let's reflect on testimony of one minister of God who relied on prayer warriors to assist mightily in the evangelizing of the people.

Charles Spurgeon

Spurgeon fully recognized that the Church's greatest need was not to have another, "Prince of Preachers", but to have more princes of prayer. One of his many published sermons expressed his feelings on this. He

wrote, "Shall I give you yet another reason why you should pray? I have preached my very heart out. I could not say any more than I have said. Will not your prayers accomplish that which my preaching fails to do? Is it not likely that the Church has been putting forth its preaching hand but not its praying hand? Oh dear friends! Let us agonize in prayer....."

Charles Spurgeon

When Charles Spurgeon would have people visit his church, rather than showing them his pulpit, he would take them down in a room in the basement where a group of people were on their knees praying and say, "This is the powerhouse of the church"

Charles Spurgeon

The intercessors pray for people to be open to hear and receive, for people to respond to the message and come to Christ, and to come against any activities of the evil one during the service

Soldiers of the Cross!
Warrior Intercessors and Co-
Laborers with God
This is your mandate!

EXPEL THE DARKNESS!

"We wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities"

Ephesians 6:12 (GW) This is not a wrestling match against a human opponent. We are wrestling with rulers, authorities, the powers who govern this world of darkness, and spiritual forces that control evil in the heavenly world."

Ephesians 6:11 (GW) Put on all the armor that God supplies. In this way you can take a stand against the devil's strategies. .

Luke 10:17-19 (ASV) ¹⁷ And the seventy returned with joy, saying, Lord, even the demons are subject unto us in thy name. ¹⁸ And he said unto them, I beheld Satan fallen as lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over

all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall in any wise hurt you.

Matthew 10:8 (WEY) Cure the sick, raise the dead to life, cleanse lepers, drive out demons: you have received without payment, give without payment.

Matthew 21:21-22 (WEY) ²¹ "I solemnly tell you," said Jesus, "that if you have an unwavering faith, you shall not only perform such a miracle as this of the fig-tree, but that even if you say to this mountain, 'Be thou lifted up and hurled into the sea,' it shall be done; ²² and everything, whatever it be, that you ask for in your prayers, if you have faith, you shall obtain."

Mark 11:22-23 (WEY) ²² Jesus said to them, "Have faith in God. ²³ In solemn truth I tell you that if any one shall say to this mountain, 'Remove, and hurl thyself into the sea,' and has no doubt about it in his heart, but steadfastly believes that what he says will happen, it shall be granted him.

Matthew 16:18 (The Message) 17-18 Jesus came back, "God bless you, Simon, son of Jonah! You didn't get that answer out of books or from teachers. My Father in heaven, God himself, let you in on this secret of who I really am. And now I'm going to tell you who you are, really are. You are Peter, a rock. This is the rock on which I will put together my church, a church so

expansive with energy that not even the gates of hell will be able to keep it out.

INSPIRATION AND WARNING

I believe we all know that we are living in exciting times before the return of our Lord. This great privilege of working for the Kingdom of God is special.

If you have read this far, then you have been inspired to become involved with a great harvest of souls.

Luke 14:25-35 (The Message)

Warning first.

Figure the Cost

25-27 One day when large groups of people were walking along with him, Jesus turned and told them, "Anyone who comes to me but refuses to let go of father, mother, spouse, children, brothers, sisters—yes, even one's own self! —can't be my disciple. Anyone who won't shoulder his own cross and follow behind me can't be my disciple.

28-30 "Is there anyone here who, planning to build a new house, doesn't first sit down and figure the cost so you'll

know if you can complete it? If you only get the foundation laid and then run out of money, you're going to look pretty foolish. Everyone passing by will poke fun at you: 'He started something he couldn't finish.'

31-32" Or can you imagine a king going into battle against another king without first deciding whether it is possible with his ten thousand troops to face the twenty thousand troops of the other? And if he decides he can't, won't he send an emissary and work out a truce?

33" Simply put, if you're not willing to take what is dearest to you, whether plans or people, and kiss it good-bye, you can't be my disciple.

34" Salt is excellent. But if the salt goes flat, it's useless, good for nothing.

"Are you listening to this? Really listening?" [Message Translation]

Ephesians 6:11-18 (The Message)

Fight to the Finish

10-12 And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. This is no afternoon athletic contest that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels.

13-18 Be prepared. You're up against far more than you can handle on your own. Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued, so that when it's all over but the shouting you'll still be on your feet. Truth, righteousness, peace, faith, and salvation are more than words. Learn how to apply them. You'll need them throughout your life. God's Word is an indispensable weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long. Pray for your

brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out.

*PRAYER WARRIOR AND INTERCESSOR FOR THE
LOST- PONDER THIS AND KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN
THE WILL OF GOD FOR THE EVANGELIZING OF THE
WORLD*

The Gifted writer S.D. Gordon said, "The real victory in all service is won beforehand in prayer. Service is merely gathering the results." Expanding on this thought as related to the Great Commission, W. Stanley Mooneyham adds, "let us stop complaining that we don't have enough people, enough money, enough tools. That simply is not true. There is no shortage of anything we need---except of vision and prayer and will. Prayer is the one resource immediately available to us all. If more Christians were on their knees praying, more Christians would be on their feet evangelizing."

The missionary leader continues, "Robert Speer, a great Presbyterian missions pioneer and leader wrote: "the evangelism of the world depends first upon a revival of prayer. Deeper than the need for workers; deeper, far, than the need for money; deep down at the bottom of our spiritual lives, is the need for the forgotten secret of prevailing, worldwide prayer. Missions have

progressed slowly abroad because piety and prayer have been shallow at home."

Now to enter the Mission Field

1. You have your vision
2. You have your commission
3. You have your authority
4. You've counted the cost
5. You have your will
6. You have your victory
7. "Now, make your appointments with God in prayer and keep them."
Corrie Ten Boom

FOCUS PRAYER ON THIS CITY AND ALL LEADERS
AND ALL CHURCHES

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Calvary Missionary Baptist Church

Rev. Daniel Conditt

9609 N. 145th E. Ave
272-3870

Calvary Chapel Green Country

11211 N Garnett Rd
Owasso, OK 74055

Central Baptist Church

Reverend Scott A. Carlson
9001 N. 145th E. Ave
272-3376

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Bishop Pratt and Bishop Kyle
9300 N. 129th E. Ave
272-7175

Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal

129th E. Ave.
272-1035

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Church of the Nazarene

Rev. Larry Brinkley
9000 N. 145th E. Ave
272-1642

Community Full Gospel Church

Pastor Flossie Turner
9715 N. Memorial
272 3297

Covenant Bible Church

Pastor Jerry Elwell
11516 N. 123rd E. Ave. Collinsville
371-0077

Crossroads Christian Center

Jack Voss, Senior Pastor
14003 E. 116th St. N. Collinsville
371-2578

Dalton Hill Baptist Church

Pastor Dan Corver
8263-B Owasso Expwy
274-3664

Disciples Christian Church

Pastor Glynis LaBarre
129th E. Ave. & 66 St. N.
272-3225

Discovery Bible Fellowship

Derk Madden
11600 N Garnett Rd
Collinsville, OK 74021

Faith Lutheran Church

9222 N. Garnett Rd

272-9858

Family Life Assembly of God Church

Pastor Randy Bauer
8361-J Owasso Expwy
274-8860

First Baptist Church

Dr. Roger Ferguson
13307 E. 96th St. N.
272-2292

First Christian Church

Pulpit Minister Charlie Curran
12200 E. 86th St. N.
272-9551

First Presbyterian Church

Pastor Natalie Ford-Cowling
12800 E. 85th St. N.
272-1063

First United Methodist Church

Rev. Chris Tiger
13800 E 106th St N.
272-5731

Faith Lutheran Church
9222 N Garnett Road
Owasso, OK 74055

Freedom Church

Dr. Andrew Rankin
9602 N. 177th E. Ave
272-1133

Friendship Baptist Church

Pastor Linzy Slayden
14100 E. 86th St. N.
272-2003

Grace Baptist Church of Owasso

Pastor Dean Tucker
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272-5300
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Harvest Christian Church

Pastor Terry Hull
PO Box 1858
376-0777

Hope Chapel Foursquare

Pastor Don Cason

11400 E. 116th St. N
371-9263

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness

10011 E. 116th St. N
Collinsville
371-9585

Meadowview Baptist Church

Pastor Larry Dees
19350 E. 116th St. N
371-2619

St. James Orthodox Church

9612 N. 151st E. Ave.
Owasso, OK 74055
Rector: Rev. Fr. Mark Gilstrap

Trinity Holiness Assembly of God

Pastor James Brown
13215 E. 66th St. N
274-7031

New Heights Church

Pastor Kyle Meador
106 N. Main
274-1725

New Hope Baptist Church
Dr. Ray Martin
708 N. Atlanta
272-0283

[Owasso Church of Christ](#)

Minister Dan Schnell
10510 N. 129th E. Ave
272-1564

[Owasso Family Church](#)

Pastor Gerry Alston
507 E. 2nd
272-2882

[Owasso First Assembly of God](#)

Pastor Bruce McCarty
9341 N. 129th E. Ave.
272-5219

[Owasso Seventh-Day Adventist](#)

Pastor Harvey Gil11808 E. 121 St. N
371-5815

[Rejoice First FWB Church](#)

Rev. Leonard Pirtle
13413 E. 106th St. N.
272-5291

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Pastor Otis Baker
11808 E. 121st St. N
272-1741

[St. Henry Catholic Church](#)

Rev. Richard Bradley
8500 Owasso Expwy
272-3710

St. James Orthodox Church

Father Mark Gilstrap
9612 N.151st E. Ave
274-9612

United Pentecost Church

Pastor M.C. Graham
210 W. 2nd
274-7081

The Living Room Church Unitarian Ron Robinson

An emerging Free Christian Church
6305 N Peoria Avenue

First United Pentecostal Church of Owasso

210 W 2nd Avenue

Owasso, OK 74055

Pastor: Reverend Keith Walls

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8515 N. Whirlpool Dr.

Owasso, OK 74055

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Owasso, OK 74055

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Praying over a map was used in the Bible.

God commissioned Ezekiel to lay siege to Jerusalem by using a prayer map. Ezekiel actually drew the city of Jerusalem on a piece of clay and laid it in front of himself to prayer. Ezekiel 4:1-2 says, *"Now, son of man, take a clay tablet, put it in front of you and draw the city of Jerusalem on it. Then lay siege to it: Erect siege works against it, build a ramp up to it, set up camps against it."* It is not a new thing. It is Biblical.

"Siege means 'the act or process of surrounding and attacking a fortified place in such a way as to isolate it for the purpose of lessening the resistance of the defender and thereby making capture possible.' Another definition reads, 'any prolonged or persistent effort to overcome resistance.' A third, more ancient definition is 'seat of rule.' So to lay siege in prayer would suggest a strategy that involves interceding for our neighbors

or the nations to lessen their resistance to the gospel." Dick Eastman

When God told Ezekiel to lay siege to Jerusalem, it was a powerful command. It is a strategic way to intercede for the city. It is a way to lessen the resistance of enemy forces. It is a way to enthrone God in the city. Because darkness and evil inhabit our cities, we must visually lay siege to them in prayer. Getting a map of your city or nation can help you to lay siege to it in prayer. You are breaking down the resistance to the gospel as you surround the city with your prayers. Praying over a map can help you to break down the powers of darkness that are holding people in captivity.

Praying Over Your Map

"Fighting from her knees in many parts of the world, Christ's bride is already beginning to push back the forces of darkness for periods of time, during which millions are having the opportunity to hear the gospel for the first time and to be saved. We are literally living in the day of Psalm 2:8 - we are asking

the Father for the nations and they are coming to Him!" Eddie and Alice Smith

In praying for your neighborhood, you may want to draw a map of the houses and families you are praying for. Define your mission field. Are you praying for a street, block, apartment complex, group of households or a rural section? Map households in your community by making a homemade map or a simple list of persons in your neighborhood. Then begin to pray for guidance as you pray over your map. You may want to prayer-walk your neighborhood. You may also want to get a map of your city and begin praying over your city map. All of this will help you to visually lay siege to your neighborhood or city, breaking dramatically the resistance of the enemy in your area. God will begin to work as you visually pray in this manner. He will give you strategic insight as to how to pray. We

encourage you to get a free world prayer map and begin praying for the nations. This is a helpful tool for intercessors that would like to pray daily over a map of the world. Every Home for Christ is a ministry that has distributed gospel literature house-to-house to over 2.2 billion people in 191 nations with over 278 million decisions for Christ! Isn't that incredible?

"The beauty of praying over a map of the world (as well as a hand-drawn map of our neighborhoods) is that it helps us contend for the lost in a far more specific manner. We're targeting actual nations and very real neighbors. This is far more meaningful than shallow prayers like 'God bless all the people of the world, everywhere!'" Dick Eastman

Together in the Harvest

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