

Pray For Non-Believers

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And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they will not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-4

Last week I met a man from City Union Mission who was coming inside the church from loading the truck with supplies. The glasses he was wearing were so dark from being in the light that you couldn't see his eyes. He explained to me the brighter the light, the darker tinted the glasses get. Sometimes he must take them off inside because he can't see at all.

Our passage today reminds us that unbelievers do not see the "Light" of the Gospel. Like this man's glasses, they are shielded from the truth of Christ. They have hardened hearts from following the ways of the world and have been deceived by Satan.

Matthew talks about this very thing in Chapter 13 when Jesus was asked why He speaks in parables. Jesus said they look, but they do not see. They hear, but they do not listen or have no understanding because they have hardened their hearts.

Our challenge is to be out in the world sharing the truths of God's word and living our faith out in our daily lives. Maybe we can help our lost friends soften their hearts to the truths of God so they can turn lies of Satan into the love of Jesus.

APPLICATION:

- Prioritize praying for at least 3 unbelievers each day.
- Say yes to your opportunities to share your faith.