



## Pray first– Praying for unbelievers

### 1. Review

How have you done applying what we talked about last time?

### 2. Read

Listen to the podcast and read the scripture. What is the scripture saying? What truth of the gospel does it teach us?

### 3. Reflect

What impacts you most? What does this look like in your life? What would fruitfulness look like?

### 4. Respond

What is God speaking to you about and what are you going to do? Pray for one another

### 5. Reach

How would you share this good news? How has your personal witness been going?

### 1. Review

We recommend that you keep a discipleship journal on your phone or notebook – where you can record anything that you agree to do with the group. Take time to share how you are getting on. We encourage openness to the Holy Spirit and encouragement from your group to have an ongoing list of areas where you need to be intentional about growing.

### 2. Read

- **1 Timothy 2:1-6**

We assume you have listened to the Podcast on the website for this topic prior to the meeting.

### 3. Reflect

- What times have you prayed for an unbeliever? How has that worked out?
- Are you prepared to partner with the Holy Spirit in this and take the opportunities that may arise to pray for unbelievers? What hinders you in this?
- Why not practice in your group now praying for your brothers and sisters using the pattern proposed here? What can you take from this?

### 4. Respond

What actions or changes in attitude are you being prompted to make? Make a note of these and share them with each other. Don't discount yourself or get disconsolate or under pressure ask for more grace to make progress in this fundamental area of your growth.

Practice something like this with the people in your group:

- Ask what they would like prayer for and keep to that
- Ask if you can put your hand on their shoulder (if same sex)
- Ask them if they are ready to receive Gods love to comfort them – you are His creature and He is your creator
- Ask God to pour out His love on this person, and warn that they may have a sense of warmth as they come into His presence.
- Pause for a bit and again ask God to bless this person
- Ask Jesus to bless this person and bring freedom into their life
- Ask God to answer the need expressed in the opening question – but pray also that this person would know the safety and comfort of being protected by God.

Take some time to pray and praise God. Invite the Holy Spirit to give you counsel, guidance, words, pictures, scriptures, encouragement for each other on this whole topic of praying for the lost. This is a great time to practice the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

### 5. Reach

Look for opportunities in the coming weeks to offer to pray for the unbelievers that come into your life who are presenting real problems and hurts.