

# B.L.E.S.S.

**BLESS** is an approach to sharing the gospel that is rooted in friendship and loving our neighbors well.



## **BEGIN WITH PRAYER**

Bless others who don't know Jesus yet through prayer.

Write a short list of people whom you long to see commit to faith in Christ. Place the list inside your Bible, on your dashboard, or on a note in your cell phone.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Initial planning to help you follow through:

**PLAN:** Decide and commit to what time each day you will pray.

**PREPARE:** Ask God to give you an openness to receiving divine appointments and opportunities to share.

**PLACE:** As you pray, make a mental map of the places you will visit throughout the day. Ask God to help you be sensitive to your surroundings.

**PEOPLE:** Think of the needs of those you are praying for, and ask God to help you be a blessing to them. Try writing their names down as you pray to help you stay focused, and jot down any prompts you might receive from God.

# IDEAS FOR PRAYER

Not sure what or how to pray for your friends?

Consider the things you would hope someone would pray for you and start there. Consider praying for their struggles, families, relationships, work life, & decision-making.

You can use these prompts to pray for yourself and for your friends you are seeking to bless:

Pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will become thirsty for God (John 7:37-39).

Pray that the Father will draw \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus (John 6:44-45).

Pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will become open to God's truth (2 Corinthians 4:4-6).

Pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will become receptive to God's grace (Romans 3:23-24; Titus 3:4-7).

Prayer for \_\_\_\_\_'s heartfelt conviction of sin and their need for God (John 16:8-11; 1 Thessalonians 1:4-5).

Pray for \_\_\_\_\_ to take genuine steps of repentance (2 Corinthians 7:10).

Pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will clearly experience God's love (1 John 4:7-10, 19-21).

Pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will develop a heartfelt belief and acceptance of Jesus as King and Lord (John 10: 27-30).

Pray for \_\_\_\_\_ to develop deep spiritual rootedness in Christ (John 15:5; Colossians 2:6-7).

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