# sIX Focal Points TO HELP YOU PRAY FOR THE LOST

One pattern to help you pray for the lost is the six interrogatives: who, what, when, why, where, and how.

### 1. Whom can I trust?

Intercede for lost souls by praying that they would be confronted with questions regarding trust. Ask that God would plant in their hearts a skepticism about the lies they hear, whether philosophi­cal, social, or political.

### 2. What is my reason for being?

Pray that the lost will begin to ask, "What is my purpose for living?" Ask God to plant in their hearts an urgency concerning this question.

### 3. When will I really be free?

When praying for people who are not free, pray that God will use this lack to draw them to Himself. When inter­ceding for the lost in free nations, pray that the person will ask, "When will I be free of this empti­ness in my heart?"

### 4. Why do people reject God?

When praying for the lost in closed countries whose leaders reject God, ask God to cause lost souls to question why their leaders so vehemently reject the existence of God. Asked often enough, this question leads people on a deep heart quest. They will not only wonder if there is a God; soon they will actively seek Him.

### 5. Where will I go when I die?

Ask God to cause unbelievers to ask, "Where will I go when I die?" Pray that God will turn this question into a quest for an eternal answer and that He will plant a longing to resolve this issue.

### 6. How can I cope with my problems?

Ask God to plant a sense of hope­lessness in unbelievers' hearts. Every person faces problems beyond his abilities. Our prayers can cause people to realize their need for deliverance and prepare their hearts for the day the gospel will be given to them.

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