

May God Give Us . . .

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Brethren, in our prayers unto God let us pray for Him to:

- 1. Give us the sinners whose hearts can be convicted with the truth (Acts 2:37).**
- 2. Give us the lost who sincerely think that they are already all right with God, like Saul of Tarsus (Acts 23:1; 22:3; 26:4-9).**
- 3. Give us the unbelieving who can be persuaded by the gospel, like the Philippian jailer (Acts 16:23-34).**
- 4. Give us those who have good and honest hearts in which the seed of the gospel can be successfully sown, like those represented by the good soil in the parable of the sower (Luke 8:15).**
- 5. Give us those who want to be right with God, but are not — like the Ethiopian nobleman, like the centurion Cornelius (Acts 8:26-39; 10:1-2; 11:13-14).**
- 6. Give us those who are in error, but who honestly think they have the truth, like Apollos and the twelve at Ephesus (Acts 18:24-26; 19:1-5).**
- 7. Give us those who are receptive and teachable and willing to examine the preaching, like the Bereans (Acts 17:11-12).**
- 8. Give us babes in Christ who want to grow (Hebrews 5:11— 6:3; Ephesians 4:15; 2 Peter 3:18).**
- 9. Give us the weak who want to be strengthened (Romans 15:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:14).**
- 10. Give us the untaught who want to learn (Matthew 5:6; John 7:17; Acts 10:33; 13:7).**
- 11. Give us those who have problems, but are willing to accept God's solutions, like the saints at Corinth (1 Corinthians 5:1-13; 2 Corinthians 2:5-11).**
- 12. Give us imperfect people who will strive for the perfection that is in Christ (Ephesians 4:12-16).**
- 13. Give us those whose time, possessions, abilities and very lives can be put to work in the Lord's cause —which is the salvation of souls (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; 2 Timothy 2:2; 1 Corinthians 9:19-22).**

And then, let us not wait for God to just give us these, but let us do our part to go out and find them!

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