

Lead Me to  
Some Soul  
Today  
#476



# Lead Me to Some Soul - Background

- Published in 1936 by William Houghton. He wrote vs. 1
- Wendell Phillips Loveless composed the tune
- Vs. 2-4 (our book) were produced by Ellis J. Crum (~1977)
- Eugene Compton added 2 different verses ~1974 (appeared in Gospel Guardian)



# Vs. 1 - Lead me to some soul today

- The faithful Christian always has a desire to win others to Christ  
The future of the church depends on it

**Matthew 28:19-20**

**2 Corinthians 5:10-11**

**1 Peter 3:15**

**Jude 22-23**

Even concerns for erring brethren



# Vs. 1 - Lead me to some soul today

- *Lead me to some soul today* - this song is written as a prayer (a request to God - cf. The psalms)
- Do we pray for opportunities?  
- The value of a soul -

**Matthew 16:26**



# Vs. 1 - Lead me to some soul today

- *Lead me to some soul today*
- An understanding that we need God in this - **Colossians 4:3, cf. Revelation 3:8** - Do we pray for open doors?
- NOTE: Not asking for a miraculous or direct leading! He wants man to be saved - **2 Pet. 3:9, 1 Tim. 2:4**
- More about MY desire to reach others



# Vs. 1 - Lead me to some soul today

- *O teach me Lord just what to say*
- Do we pray for wisdom and understanding? **James 1:5-6**
- One of the greatest deterrents to evangelism is fear
  - Are we preparing?
  - Are we trying?

**Ephesians 6:19** - prayer for boldness and understanding!



# Vs. 1 - Lead me to some soul today

- *Friends of mine are lost in sin and cannot find their way*
- We all have relatives, close friends, acquaintances. They are our BEST first prospects (and sometimes most challenging).

**Cf. Romans 9:1-3** - Paul's desire for his brethren.

- Do we care enough to try?



# Vs.2 - Lead me to some wayward soul

- *Lead me to some wayward soul*
- Winning souls often includes those that have fallen away

**Galatians 6:1-2, James 5:19-20**

- *To one whose wandered from the fold*

**Luke 15:1-7** - the shepherd leaves the 99 to find the 1 lost!  
Joy in heaven when found



# Vs.2 - Lead me to some wayward soul

- *Help me turn him unto Thee, Thy blessings to behold*
- Sometimes the wayward are more challenging and heartbreaking. BUT we must try!

## **1 Thessalonians 5:14**

- We have more “tools” to work with - They have some knowledge of truth! Do we desire to say the right thing with the right attitude?

## **Colossians 4:6, Ephesians 4:15**



# Vs.3 - Lead me from self-righteousness

- *Lead me from self-righteousness*
- This verse reminds me of the importance of my attitude
- Self-righteousness can get in our way! **Cf. Luke 18:9-14**
- God resists the proud - **1 Peter 5:5-6**
- **And so do people!**



# Vs.3 - Lead me from self-righteousness

- *Lead me from self-righteousness*
- How can we convert someone if we look down upon them?
- **Matthew 7:1-5, cf. James 2:1-13**
- We must be careful to NOT judge someone as unworthy without cause (**cf. Acts 13:46, 1 John 5:16-17**)



# Vs.3 - Lead me from self-righteousness

- *May Christ always be seen in me!*
- Our greatest evangelistic tool is our example (which must be based upon God's word) - **Matthew 5:13-16**
- Jesus gave us an example - **1 Peter 2:21-24.**
- To win others, they need to see **Christ in us first!**



# Vs.3 - Lead me from self-righteousness

- *How can I do any less than lead more souls to Thee?*
- It ought to be our mission to find others
- If we are grateful for our deliverance, we will want to share it with others
- **1 Corinthians 9:16**
- Again, we see the power of influence! LEAD them! Live a godly life!
- NOT only will others see this, it can make us useful to God - **1 Peter 2:11-12**. Can He depend on you?



# Vs.4 - Open hearts of those I love

- *Open hearts of those I love*
- An open heart is where reception of the gospel begins!
- **Luke 8:15** – the “noble and good heart”
- **Acts 16:14-15** – the Lord opened Lydia’s heart to receive the gospel
- Not a miraculous moving by God, but His word convicted!



# Vs.4 - Open hearts of those I love

- *To hear and heed the gospel call*
- **2 Thessalonians 2:14** – we are “called” by the gospel  
**cf. Acts 2:37** – they were “cut to the heart”
- Remember the power of the gospel –  
**Romans 1:16, Hebrews 4:12, 1 Corinthians 1:18**



# Vs.4 - Open hearts of those I love

- *May they start to heav'n above*
- When one obeys they gospel, they BEGIN their walk with Him!

**Acts 2:38, Mark 16:16**

**Romans 6:3-6** – raised to walk in newness of life

**2 Corinthians 5:17** – a new creation



# Vs.4 - Open hearts of those I love

- *And may they never fall*
- The convert is not done when they obey the gospel. They must remain faithful  
**Hebrews 10:38-39, Luke 9:62, etc. Matthew 28:19-20** - disciples  
“observe the things I have commanded”  
**Revelation 2:10** – be faithful unto death
- Let us NOT leave one in a state of infancy! KEEP studying!



# Chorus - One soul today

- *Few there are to who seem to care*
- We are living in a world where so many do not care about obeying God and their salvation
  - **Matthew 22:14** - many are called, but few are chosen!
- But do I care???
- IF I do not, who will?



# Chorus - One soul today

- *Few there are to who pray*
- The prayers of the unconverted are limited!
- But do WE pray for opportunities? Do we pray often?
  - **1 Thessalonians 5:17**
  - Colossians 4:2**
- Are we praying for the lost - generally and specifically? **Colossians 4:3**



# Chorus - One soul today

- *Melt my heart and fill my life*
- If there is ANY hardness in our hearts, we ought to desire that it be softened!
- But do WE pray for opportunities?  
Do we pray often?  
**1 Peter 3:15,**  
**cf. Matthew 6:21** – where is your treasure?



# Chorus - One soul today

- *Melt my heart and fill my life*
- Consider the joy we have when one responds and obeys the gospel or returns!

That ought to fill my life

**Cf. Luke 15:20-24**

**Luke 15:7, 10**

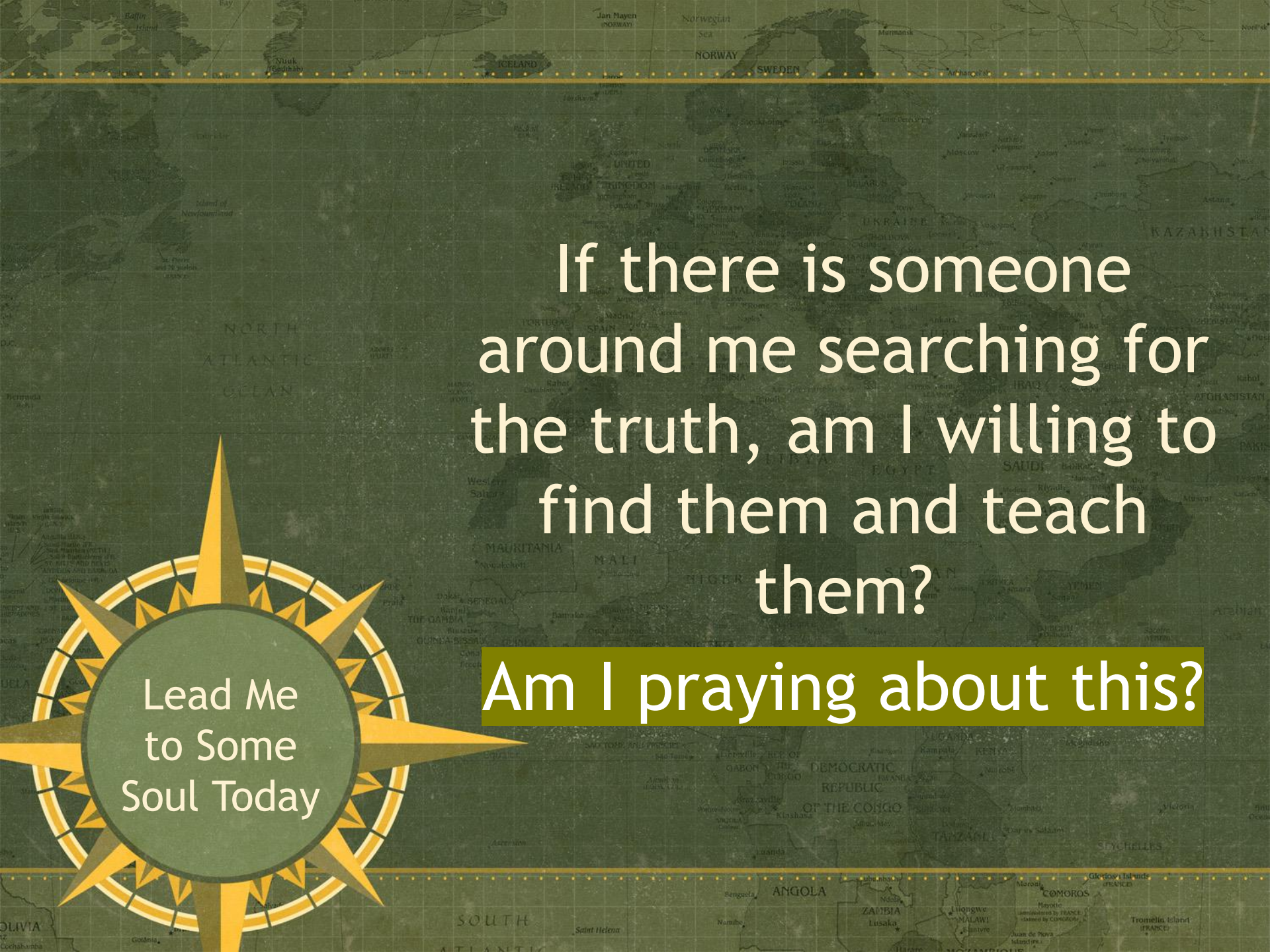
**3 John 4**



# Chorus - One soul today

- *Give me one soul today*
- EVERY soul is important!
- Sadly, the majority will be lost -  
**Matthew 7:13-14**
- But SOMEONE is looking! Will I do whatever I can to find that one?  
**Cf. 1 Corinthians 9:19-23** - be and live as I should that I might win some?





If there is someone  
around me searching for  
the truth, am I willing to  
find them and teach  
them?

Am I praying about this?



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Let us pray!

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