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Being Part of the Answer

When praying for others we must be willing to be part of the answer if necessary. If we aren't willing to be used to answer our own prayers, we aren't cooperating with God. As a result, He won't cooperate with us; He won't answer our prayers. **Why? Because these are prayers of isolation and separation.** We are saying, "God, I don't want to get mixed up in anyone's problems. You take care of that."

Can you imagine Jesus doing that? "Sorry, Bartimaeus, I don't want to get My hand dirty." **God will not hear our prayers of isolation.** If we aren't more interested than that, then He's not interested in our prayers. **As long as we ask and do nothing, He will listen and do nothing.** If it costs us nothing, we can expect little in return.

Don't pray for more missionaries unless you're willing to go yourself or are willing to send your children. Don't pray for another's financial need unless you're willing to give yourself. **And don't pray for the lost unless you're willing to go to them and share what Christ means to you. AMEN.**

Dr. Charles Stanley

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matthew 28:18 – 20

