Incarnation of Truth

John. 1:14

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth" - ESV
Genesis 12:2-3

"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great and you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." - NIV
God’s Blessing Plan

Top line

"I will bless you" (v. 2)

Bottom line

“All peoples on earth will be blessed through you.“ (v. 3)
Pray in God’s Blessing Plan

Today, we also find ourselves in that blessing plan of God, even as we are counting our blessings and blessing others in Christ’s name. We do so in corporate prayers to God.
Prayer session 1 on Genesis 12:2

Top line - “I will bless you” (v. 2)

Pray in groups of 4/5

1. Thanksgiving and Praise
   - For our salvation
   - For our countless blessings
   - For God's unfailing love and mercy
   - Closing prayer by Gabriel
Prayer session 1 on Genesis 12:2

Top line - “I will bless you” (v. 2)

Pray in groups of 4/5

2. Intercession and Petition

► For ourselves and families
► For our churches
► For our own people (tribe/nation)
► For personal growth, their salvation, needs, etc.
► Closing prayer by Gordon
Prayer session 2 on Daniel 9

Responsive reading of Daniel 9:4-19

It is Daniel’s prayer of confession in behalf of his nation.

Shall we read it responsively.
I prayed to the LORD my God and confessed:

"O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with all who love him and obey his commands, we have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from your commands and laws.

- Daniel 9:4-5
Congregation

6 We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

- Daniel 9:6
"Lord, you are righteous, but this day we are covered with shame--the men of Judah and people of Jerusalem and all Israel, both near and far, in all the countries where you have scattered us because of our unfaithfulness to you. O LORD, we and our kings, our princes and our fathers are covered with shame because we have sinned against you.

- Daniel 9:7-8
The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him; we have not obeyed the LORD our God or kept the laws he gave us through his servants the prophets. All Israel has transgressed your law and turned away, refusing to obey you.

- Daniel 9:9-11a
Therefore the curses and sworn judgments written in the Law of Moses, the servant of God, have been poured out on us, because we have sinned against you. 

12 You have fulfilled the words spoken against us and against our rulers by bringing upon us great disaster. Under the whole heaven nothing has ever been done like what has been done to Jerusalem.

- Daniel 9:11b-12
13 Just as it is written in the Law of Moses, all this disaster has come upon us, yet we have not sought the favor of the LORD our God by turning from our sins and giving attention to your truth. 14 The LORD did not hesitate to bring the disaster upon us, for the LORD our God is righteous in everything he does; yet we have not obeyed him.

- Daniel 9:13-14
15 "Now, O Lord our God, who brought your people out of Egypt with a mighty hand and who made for yourself a name that endures to this day, we have sinned, we have done wrong. 16 O Lord, in keeping with all your righteous acts, turn away your anger and your wrath from Jerusalem, your city, your holy hill. Our sins and the iniquities of our fathers have made Jerusalem and your people an object of scorn to all those around us.

- Daniel 9:15-16
Prayer session 2 on Daniel 9

2. Let us confess
the sins of our respective
nations and
churches
Prayer session 2 on Daniel 9

2. Having confessed the sins of our respective nations and churches

1 John 1:9

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
17 "Now, our God, hear the prayers and petitions of your servant. For your sake, O Lord, look with favor on your desolate sanctuary. 18 Give ear, O God, and hear; open your eyes and see the desolation of the city that bears your Name. We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy. 19 O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For your sake, O my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name."

- Daniel 9:17-19
3. Let's ask for God's great forgiveness and return to Him.
4. Let's surrender and submit ourselves to His lordship.
   ▶ Closing prayer by Gordon
Prayer session 3 on Genesis 12:3

Bottom line -

“All peoples on earth will be blessed through you”
(v. 3)
Acts 15:14 –

“...God first intervened to choose a people for his name from the Gentiles.”

Gentiles = nations or ethnic peoples

Global statistics

- 11% - Dedicated Christians
- 22% - Nominal Christians
- 27% - Reached Non-Christians
- 40% - Unreached Non-Christians

Myanmar

ethnic people groups

153 – total
49 – unreached
(=over 45 million lives)
Prayer session 3 on Genesis 12:3

Bottom line - “All peoples on earth will be blessed through you” (v. 3)

Pray in pairs within 4 groups

1. Pray for Others (outside of our faith)
   - Group 1 – for the Buddhists
   - Group 2 – for the Hindus
   - Group 3 – for the Muslims
   - Group 4 – for the Animists & Atheists

Closing prayer by Jim
Prayer session 3 on Genesis 12:3

Bottom line - “All peoples on earth will be blessed through you” (v. 3)

2. Sharing Time (4 minutes)

- Share with someone in your group
- How you can bless someone (names?) of other faith.
- Pray for their blessings in Christ’s name.
- Closing prayer by Gabriel