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THE GOLDEN HARVEST

It Is Far To Easy To Become Comfortable In God's House And Lose All Vision Of Personal Evangelism. We Think Coming To Church Is Our Responsibility, And Winning Souls Is The Pastors Job Once We Get There, Safely.

We Huddle Up Under Our Pastor Like Chicks Under A Hen. We Feel Protected From Being Out On The Front Lines Of 'The Great Commission'.

We Have Little Awareness And Compassion For The Suffering Of The Lost Out There In 'The World'.

So, Let's start reading in Matthew 9:36 NKJV.

"But When HE Saw The Multitudes, HE Was Moved With Compassion For Them, Because They Were Weary And Scattered, Like Sheep Having No Shepherd."

We will look at these Verses and Explain key Words in them:

BUT WHEN HE SAW: Jesus Was Very Aware Of The People. He Considered And Understood Their Condition. They Were Harassed , Abandoned And Neglected In The World.

THE MULTITUDES: He Saw A Throng Of People Pressed Together And Borne Along.

HE WAS MOVED WITH COMPASSION: Even Having His Bowels Yearn Compassionately With Sympathy and Pity On Them.

BECAUSE THEY FAINTED, AND WERE SCATTERED ABROAD: These People Were Tossing And Turning In Sudden Motion.

AS SHEEP HAVING NO SHEPHERD: A Multitude of People Without Any Authority Of A Guide or Caretaker.

THEN SAITH HE TO HIS DISCIPLES: These Are Pupils and Learners, Not Just Listeners.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIFUL: Here Jesus Confirms His Vision Of The Reaping Of His Enormous Harvest. The Seed Sown Being Very Fruitful indeed.

BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW: Evangelism Is Labor, Even An Occupation That Requires Energy, Effort, Action And Toil. Sitting In Church Is Easy Compared To Evangelism.

PRAY YE THEREFORE: So We Must Bind Ourselves To Make Request, Petition, Beseech, Even Beg Urgently And Accordingly.

THE LORD OF THE HARVEST: The Supreme Authority Over The Reaping Of His Crop.

THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST: To EJECT, Send Out, Thrust Out, Drive Out, Bring Forth Out, Send Away Forth, Expel Into The Reaping Of HIS Crops.

For So Many, Comfortable In Pastors Care, These Words Can Sound Unwelcome To Us. We Love The Thought Of Being Gathered Under The Pastors Wings, But Not The Thought Of

Being SENT-OUT INTO THE GREAT COMMISSION.

Still, In Reading Jesus Words Here, We Can Imagine Him Sending His Labourers Out Of HIS Church And Into HIS Harvest Fields.

Some Might Say To The LORD Of The Harvest, "surely not me Lord?" "I'm needed here in church?"

I Used To Hold Tightly To Those Comforting Thoughts Until One Day I Heard The Holy Spirit Speaking In My Hearing, "The Ox Was Not Created For The Stall, But For The Work In The Field".

Then I Read In The Scripture, "But What Do You Think? A Man Had Two Sons, And He Came To The First And Said, 'Son, Go, Work Today In My Vineyard.'"

And He Answered And Said, 'I Will Not' But Afterwards He Regretted It And Went.

Then He Came To The Second And Said Likewise. And He Answered And Said, 'I Go, Sir' But He Did Not Go.

Which Of The Two Did The Will Of His Father?"

Matthew 21:28-31. NKJV.