

Harvest

Matthew 9:35

Mission

- Jesus went through all the towns and villages
 - teaching in their synagogues
 - preaching the good news of the kingdom
 - healing every disease and sickness

Mission

- Proclaiming life in the kingdom:
 - new way of living
 - joy in God's presence
 - restoration and wholeness

Motivation

- When he saw the crowds
 - he had compassion on them
 - “pity, sympathy, love, affection”
 - Jesus paid attention to people.
 - He felt for them.

Motivation

- Compassion
 - harassed and helpless
 - “troubled and thrown down”
 - like sheep without a shepherd

Need

- The harvest is plentiful
 - but the workers are few.

Need

- There is great opportunity for the advance of the kingdom.
 - Many people are in need.
- Workers are needed.
 - Harvest requires effort and sacrifice.

Prayer

- Ask the Lord of the harvest
 - “plead, request”
 - to send out workers
 - into his harvest field.

Prayer

- The harvest belongs to the Lord.
- God works through people to bring about the harvest.

Prayer

- We should desire to see the Lord’s harvest.
- We must be willing to be sent out into the field.

Prayer

Romans
10:13-15

“Everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.”
How, then, can they call on the one
they have not believed in?
And how can they believe in the one
of whom they have not heard?
And how can they hear
without someone preaching to them?
And how can they preach unless they are sent?
As it is written,
“How beautiful are the feet of those
who bring good news!”

Harvest

- Proclaim the good news of the kingdom.
- Recognize the need and show compassion.
- Ask God to bring in his harvest.