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- The Great Good News Of Christ's Life, Death & Resurrection Must Be Told
- **It Is Good News For Everyone Who Hears, Receives, And Acts On It**
- What Started In Jerusalem Must Spread To All The World

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- Our Focus Is On Missions And Our Missionaries**
- We, Like Jesus, Are In The People Business.**
- We Need To Understand It Is Harvest Time**
- To Have An Effective & Efficient Harvest -- There Must Be A Focus On Missions**

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Acts 4:12 (NIV) — 12 Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”

☐ Only One Name Can Save: The Name Of Jesus Christ

Acts 2:21 (NIV) — 21 And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

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- ☐ Many People In Our World Today Need To Hear The Good News Of Eternal Life And Salvation Through Jesus**

- ☐ We Have An Individual And A Corporate Mandate To Make This Happen: The Divine Call To Missions**

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□ *The Lord Referred To The Fields Of Unredeemed Humanity As The Harvest*

Luke 10:2 (NIV) "He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

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The Harvest Is Plentiful

Pray For Harvest Workers

Become A Harvest Worker

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The Harvest Is Now -- **Get Busy**

John 4:35 (NIV) “Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.”

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Proverbs 10:5 (NIV) "He who gathers crops in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son."

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Harvest Is Not Easy-- Get Ready To Work

1 Th 2:9 (NIV) "Surely you remember, brothers, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you."

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Col 1:29 (NIV) "To this end I labor, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me."

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The Harvest Is Work Done For God

- *God Will Not Be A Debtor*
- *God Pays Better Than Anyone*

□ Let Your Own Hunger Stir You:

Prov 16:26 (NIV) "The laborer's appetite works for him; his hunger drives him on."

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□ Work For Eternal Food:

John 6:27 (NIV) "Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval.""

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□ Each Harvester Is Rewarded According To Their Own Labor:

1 Cor 3:8 (NIV) "The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor."

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□ Our Eternal Destiny Is Shaped By The Law Of Sowing And Reaping

2 Cor 9:6 (NIV) "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."

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□ What You Do As A Harvester Is Not In Vain

1 Cor 15:58 (NIV) "Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

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□ Every Single One Who Calls On The Name Of The Lord Will Be Saved.

□ *This Is The Heart Of Jesus*

Matthew 18:11 (NKJV) — 11 For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

Matthew 18:14 (NKJV) — 14 Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

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(Rom 10:13-15 NIV) for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (14) 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? (15) And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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The Lord's Plan For Us Is Simple:

- ☐ Everyone Everywhere Needs To Hear**
- ☐ So That Everyone Everywhere Can Call Upon The Name Of The Lord And Be Saved.**

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The Mandate Of Missions:

- ❑ If We Do Not Go Ourselves -- Then We Should Be Responsible **To Send Others.**
- ❑ If We Do Not Go Ourselves -- Then We Should Be Responsible **To Pray For Others.**
- ❑ If We Do Not Go Ourselves --Then We Should **Support Those Who Do Go In Everyway We Can.**

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Every Single One Has Three Things In Common:

- 1. Every Single One Has The Same Creator.**
- 2. Every Single One Has One Basic Spiritual Need.**
- 3. They All Have One Way To Find Peace With God.**

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□ Every Person On Earth Needs To Hear About God's Love And God's Plan To Redeem Man.

□ "no one has the right to hear the gospel twice, while there remains someone who has not heard it once."

Oswald J. Smith:

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We Must Find Our Part In God's Plan For Missions & Outreach

We Must Pray.

We Must Go.

We Must Give.

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***We Are In The Greatest Spiritual Harvest Time
In History – You Can Help:***

- Through Prayer*
- By Giving Your Resources*
- By Giving Your Time*
- By Working Together*

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We Need To Do Our Part So That Every Single One

- *Every Child*
- *Every Young Person*
- *Every Adult*

Would Hear About Jesus!

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☐ Pray For Workers -- Become A Worker

☐ It Is Happening Today -- Be Busy Harvesting

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☐ It Is Hard Work -- Work In His Fullness

☐ The Harvest Is For God-- He Will Repay You