

**Preparing For the Harvest
Tsunami of Grief – part I
New Song Community Church
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Text: John 4:35-38

A. Getting your heart prepared for the Harvest.

1. Living and walking in the anointing of the Holy Spirit.
 - i. Knowing God through His word.
 - ii. Let His word be the first word you hear for the day.
 - iii. Get a word from the Lord to settle your heart for a night's sleep.
2. Consistency beats intensity every time.
3. Live in expectation of the "suddenly".

B. Recognizing witnessing opportunities.

1. The storms of life.
2. Five areas of Pain: The storms that come with:
 - i. Global infirmity (Pandemic)
 - ii. Social instability.
 - iii. Racial inequality.
 - iv. Financial insecurity.
 - v. Political insecurity.

C. Evangelism Strategy.

1. Focus on those who are in Pain.
 - i. Pain of change.

- ii. Loss of a spouse or loss of some kind.
- 2. Don't waste time talking to resistant people.
- 3. Focus on Low-Hanging fruit.
- 4. Leave the results to God.

D. Preparing for the upcoming "Tsunami of Grief".

- 1. Understanding Grief.
- 2. There is No change without loss, and no loss without pain.
- 3. We are all broken one way or another.
- 4. Focus on helping people with their pain.
- 5. Tell them about a God who can love them through their pain.