

# **The Harvest Is Plentiful**

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Luke 10:2 (ESV)

Jesus said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

**Jesus has established and proven HIMSELF as the Christ. In this section Jesus is giving HIS disciples specific instructions to go out and tell people HIS message. However this also gives us insight about our ministry today. In this unbelieving world, Jesus sees what we do not see. **The Harvest is plentiful.** Jesus is saying that HE has already touched the hearts of many people and HE now needs people to go and share the love of Christ with them.**

**Therefore we need to see the world as Jesus sees it and cooperate with HIM.** This does not mean there will not be any opposition, but Jesus will open the way to share HIS love.

Luke 10:3 (ESV)

Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves.

**Even though we will have opposition, Jesus will go before us. Therefore we confidently go into our sphere of influence and speak the peace of Jesus. When we speak, peace will rest on the people that God has already touched and opened their hearts to receive HIS Words.**

Luke 10:5–6 (ESV)

<sup>5</sup> Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ <sup>6</sup> And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you.

**The greeting of “Peace to this house” is an offer to accept the peace and eternal life that Jesus has to offer. The term “son of peace” is a way of expressing the one whose heart God has already touched. These sons and daughters of peace are the plentiful harvest Jesus is talking about.**

**God is giving us a commission to go into HIS harvest. Jesus picked us, lives within us and will speak through us. *When we show up, Jesus shows up!***

Luke 10:16 (ESV)

The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.

**In our own lives, God stirred in our heart and then HE had someone speak the truth to us. God needs us to speak! When we share God’s truth, it is as if God HIMSELF shared the truth.**

**Jesus is asking us to do our human responsibility. However we need to understand the divine work has already been done.**

Luke 10:22 (ESV)

All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son **and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.**

The gospel of John expresses it in a more succinct way.

John 10:27 (ESV)

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

**When we open our mouth, Jesus is using us to speak to the one Jesus has already prepared to listen.**

**The Harvest is plentiful! God has done HIS job! Do our job, share John 3:16 and see who listens!**

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, Jesus, that whoever believes in Jesus should not perish but have eternal life.

**Prophetic Team**

***Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future.***