

THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL

August 22, 21 | Luke 10:1-24 | Pastor Michael Foster

- The harvest is plentiful
- We are all sent!
- It's going to be hard
 - It's going to be dangerous
 - We're going to be rejected
 - It's going to take faith
 - It's urgent
- It's going to be awesome
 - Awesome message!
 - Awesome ministry!
 - Awesome salvation!
 - Awesome joy!

The gospel is the good news that Jesus died for our sins and rose again to bring salvation to all who believe!

FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

- Meditate on Romans 1:16-17, 1 Cor 15:1-8, 2 Cor 5:16-21
- Read "Living on Mission Means Living on Purpose" - www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/erik-raymond/living-mission-means-living-purpose/
- Listen to "Nobody" - www.youtube.com/watch?v=1yBzIt_z8oY
- Listen to "The Afghanistan Blessing" - www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgB0kSHcWo

- Pray for Afghanistan according to these requests - www.9marks.org/article/afghan-pastors-ask-for-prayer/?fbclid=IwAR0zeMmVGsMjZw6c7_hOvF5Vc3DlvXDvRRng8C_bjNI2qXu_YsmmpVBS9h0
- Pray for Haiti - <https://news.americanbible.org/blog/entry/prayer-blog/pray-for-haiti-facing-earthquake-and-afghanistan-in-national-turmoil>
- Use resources from Evantell to grow in sharing the gospel - www.evantell.org/
- *You can register here for an Evantell webinar "How to Share the Gospel Clearly and Simply" - www.evantell.org/share-the-gospel-clearly-and-simply/

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. Who were some people that were influential in helping you to know and follow Jesus? How did God use them in your life?
3. Do you believe the harvest is plentiful today? In what ways do you see unique opportunity in our day to spread the gospel?
4. In what ways are there unique challenges to gospel ministry today? How can we overcome these challenges?
5. In what ways are you tempted to think that God could not use you to help others know and follow Jesus?
6. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-20. In your own words, explain what it means to be an "ambassador" for Christ. What is one way you have functioned as an ambassador for Christ in the past? What might it look like for you to function in this way in the coming week?
7. We talked about how God has designed the church to be an embassy of heaven on earth. What would it look like for our church to function more in this way?
8. Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-8. How does Paul define the "gospel"?
9. We can define the gospel as "the good news that Jesus died for our sins and rose again to bring salvation to all who believe." Why do you think there are so many other definitions of the gospel out there? (Consider Galatians 1:6-9) How can we be sure to maintain gospel clarity?
10. Spend some time praying for the people of Afghanistan and Haiti, including pastors and Christian leaders, persecuted believers, rescuers and helpers, and even those who are doing evil. Pray for the Lord to send laborers into the harvest.