



John 4:27-45

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LOOK ON THE FIELDS

Introduction:

I. SOWING THE SEED (4:27-30)

A. The Disciples' Wonder (vs. 27)

"at this point His disciples came..."

"they were amazed that He had been speaking with a woman"

"Yet no one said, 'What do You seek?' or, 'Why do You speak with her?'"

B. The Woman's Witness (vs. 28-29)

"so the woman left her waterpot"

"went into the city and said to the men"

"Come, see a man who told me all the things that I have done."

"This is not the Christ, is it?"

C. The Crowd's Wonder (vs. 30)

"They went out of the city, and were coming to Him."

II. SEEING THE NEED (4:31-38)

A. A Harvest Mindset Puts God's Work First (vs. 31-34)

"Meanwhile the disciples were urging Him, 'Rabbi, eat.'"

"I have food to eat that you do not know about."

"No one brought Him anything to eat, did he?"

"My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me..."

"...and to accomplish His work." (John 6:38; 17:4)

B. A Harvest Mindset Focuses on Sowing and Reaping (vs. 35-36)

“Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest?’”

“Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white for harvest.”

“Already he who reaps is receiving wages and is gathering fruit for life eternal”

“so that he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together”

C. A Harvest Mindset Understands that It Is a Joint Effort (vs. 37-38)

“For in this case the saying is true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’”

“I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored” (I Corinthians 3:6)

“others have labored and you have entered into their labor”

III. FOLLOWING THE LEAD (4:39-42)

A. The Seed Was Sown (vs. 39-40)

“From that city many of the Samaritans believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified....”

“So when the Samaritans came to Jesus, they were asking Him to stay with them.”

“He stayed there two days.”

B. A Harvest Was Reaped (vs. 41-42)

“Many more believed because of His word”

“It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves.”

“and know that this One is indeed the Savior of the world”

Postscript: (4:43-45)

“After the two days He went forth from there into Galilee.”

“Jesus Himself testified that a prophet has no honor in his own country.”

“So when He came to Galilee, the Galileans received Him...”

“having seen all the things that He did in Jerusalem at the feast for they themselves also went to the feast.”