



Harvesters for Jesus

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John 4:34-38

1. Vision
2. Urgency
3. Eternity
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**Application:**

1. Consider where you will plant seeds this week. What conversations will you have this week that will speak the love of Jesus into their lives?
2. Do you see the world around you as a field waiting to be harvested, if not, how will you expand your view of the world this week?
3. Planting seeds for God can be risky, what barriers hold you back from being on mission in the fields of the world?



## Life Group Questions/ Discussion

**Main point:** All of us have been called to be those who plant seeds in the lives of those who live within our sphere of influence. God is the one who gives the growth but He has charged each of us with being international harvesters for His Kingdom.

**Introduction to the Conversation:** What color is your thumb? Where have you had successes and failures in gardening and planting?

What is the biggest hurdle for you in sharing God's peace, hope, and love with someone who does not follow Christ?

### Exploring God's Word Together

*From Sunday:*

The disciples returned to Jesus concerned that he had not eaten and with questions about why he was talking to the woman. Discuss the contrast between the actions of the disciples and that of the woman as she returns to town. How do we tend to focus on the wrong things and miss the bigger picture of Jesus' mission?

In our tech savvy world we often see every text, tweet, and post as requiring an urgent response from us. What kinds of events might transpire in your life that require an urgent response? Why should there be a sense of urgency in our lives to plant seeds with people?

When you read John's account in Revelation 7, how does it motivate you to want to harvest the ready fields of this world here and now?

*Digging Deeper:*

Examine together Matthew 13:1-9. This is the Parable of the Sower. Be sure to look at the events of Matthew 12 to get a better picture of the context of this parable.

Talk about what a parable is and how it could be an effective tool for planting seeds.

What is the seed that is being planted?

Discuss the four soils presented in the parable and Jesus' explanation of the parable in Matthew 13:18-23. Why is an understanding of the soils Jesus presents to his listeners important for us to note in our desire to be on mission for Jesus?

One of the ways we as followers of Jesus bear fruit is by sowing seeds of the gospel in the lives of others. How have you experienced the seeds of the Gospel falling on each of the soils described by Jesus?

What does the parable of sower have to say about persistence in sowing seeds?

### Application

Consider where you will plant seeds this week. What conversations will you have this week that will speak the love of Jesus into their lives? Prepare to share with the group next week how those conversations went.