

John 4:31-38

Joyful Harvest Work

1) Principle #1 - v. 31-34

2) Principle #2 - v. 35-36

- 3) Principle #3 v. 37-38
 - a) Harvest Requires Sowers & Reapers
 - b) Your Reaping won't typically be directly due to your Sowing
 - c) Implications
 - 1. Confidence
 - 2. Patience
- 4) Principle #4 v. 36b

Praxis

- 1. From your perspective, how does this passage relate to BCO's 15th year anniversary? BCO's plans to plant a church?
- 2. What sort of things might it practically mean for you to emulate Jesus and say, "My food is to do the will of God and accomplish His work..." (v. 34)?
- 3. What is the implication of Jesus' use of the word "already" in reference to the time of harvest in v. 35/36? How does this stand opposed to our typical view of spiritual labors?
- How should we respond to the truth of v. 37-38 that "your reaping is typically not going to directly result from your own sowing."