

MC 18

Ask the Lord of the Harvest
Mathew 9:35-38

I. Hard to Get Excited

II. Broad Context (35)

~ in villages preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing

III. Specific Context (36)

- A. When He saw the crowds, he had compassion
- B. For they were like sheep without a shepherd (aimless living)

“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” (Jn. 4:13-14)

IV. A Task Too Large for Us Alone (37-38)

- A. The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few
- B. Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest field

Point to Ponder: Let’s ask these questions of ourselves. What evidence is there in my life that would lead me to say: “my heart breaks for what breaks His” (our Lord’s)? How often does my life simply reflect the lives of those around me - an aimless life lived for no grand cause (like sheep without a shepherd)? How often does my prayer life reflect our Lord’s directive concerning prayer in our passage?

Next Week: Next week we will return to our mini sermon series out of the Gospel of Mark *Coming Attractions* by considering **Mark 5:1-20** *The Curse Reversed*.

