



# Bethel Sunrise Sermon Notes – “Harvest Time”

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**Scriptures:** John 4:35, Matthew 9:37-38, Luke 10:1-3

## Main Idea

God's word over His Church is still **Harvest Time**. The harvest is plentiful, the fields are ready, and God is calling every believer to become a laborer through prayer, evangelism, and discipleship.

## The Word Is Still Active

Years ago, as Ps James was stepping into leadership, the Lord gave him a simple but powerful word:

"Harvest Time."

Since then, God has done incredible things:

- **Thousands of people saved**
- **Ministries launched**
- **Churches planted**
- **Lives transformed**

Yet recently, the Lord challenged him with a question:

Has the word been fully fulfilled?

The answer was no.

### Key Thought:

When a word from God has not been fully fulfilled, it remains active over your life.

God's promises do not expire simply because time has passed.

What God has spoken is still alive.

## Lift Up Your Eyes

### John 4:35

"Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest."

Jesus saw opportunity where others saw obstacles.

The harvest is not scarce.

The laborers are.

### **Key Thought:**

The problem is not the harvest. The problem is our willingness to enter the field.

God is calling His people to stop waiting and start participating.

## **The Harvest Begins With Prayer**

### **Matthew 9:37-38**

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few."

Before Jesus told His disciples to go, He first told them to pray.

Our effectiveness in the harvest is directly connected to our prayer life.

### **Key Thought:**

If we are not praying, we will struggle to see the harvest around us.

## **Building a Daily Prayer Framework**

Ps James shared six practical ways to strengthen your prayer life.

### **1. Give Thanks for Everything**

Start each day with gratitude.

Thank God for:

- **Your family**
- **Your health**
- **Your provision**
- **Your opportunities**
- **Even difficult seasons**

Gratitude aligns our hearts with God's perspective.

### **Key Thought:**

Thankfulness prepares your heart to hear God's voice.

### **2. Practice Divine Journaling**

Prayer is not meant to be a one-sided conversation.

Take time to listen.

Write down:

- **Scriptures God highlights**
- **Impressions from the Holy Spirit**

- Prayers and answers
- What God may be speaking

### **Key Thought:**

God still speaks to His people.

## **3. Pray in the Spirit**

There are moments when we don't know what to pray.

The Holy Spirit helps us intercede according to God's will.

### **Key Thought:**

When your understanding reaches its limit, the Holy Spirit continues praying.

## **4. Ask God for Wisdom**

Knowledge tells us what is true.

Wisdom tells us how to apply it.

### **James 1:5**

"If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God."

God desires to lead us in everyday decisions.

### **Key Thought:**

God doesn't just want to give information—He wants to give direction.

## **5. Pray for Deliverance**

We have an enemy who seeks to:

- Steal
- Kill
- Destroy

Daily prayer should include:

- Repentance
- Cleansing
- Submission to God
- Resistance against the enemy

### **Key Thought:**

Victory begins with surrender to God.

## **6. Intercede for the Lost**

Ask God to fill your heart with His compassion.

Pray for:

- **Family members**
- **Friends**
- **Coworkers**
- **Neighbors**
- **People far from God**

### **Key Thought:**

You will never effectively reach people you refuse to pray for.

## **Go Into the Field**

Prayer prepares us.

But eventually we must go.

### **Luke 10:1-3**

"Go... I am sending you out."

The harvest requires action.

### **Key Thought:**

Prayer without obedience will never produce a harvest.

## **Your Evangelism Style Matters**

The good news is that God doesn't expect everyone to reach people the same way.

You don't need to become someone else.

You simply need to be who God created you to be.

## **Different Evangelism Styles**

### **Confrontational**

Boldly proclaiming truth.

### **Relational**

Building friendships and trust.

### **Intellectual**

Answering questions and defending faith.

### **Servant**

Meeting practical needs through acts of love.

## **Prophetic**

Sharing what God reveals through prayer and discernment.

## **Hospitable**

Creating environments where people feel welcomed and valued.

## **Key Thought:**

There is no single right way to evangelize.

God uses different personalities to reach different people.

# **Discipleship Requires Time**

Evangelism starts the journey.

Discipleship continues it.

People are transformed through relationships.

Discipleship means:

- **Sharing your life**
- **Investing your time**
- **Walking alongside others**
- **Helping people grow in Christ**

## **Key Thought:**

You cannot disciple people from a distance.

Discipleship requires presence.

# **A Stocked Pond**

Ps James shared that God has repeatedly confirmed this word of harvest and revival.

The picture God gave was simple:

The pond is already stocked.

The fish are there.

The harvest is ready.

The opportunity is waiting.

Our responsibility is simply to cast the line.

## **Key Thought:**

God has already prepared hearts. He is looking for willing laborers.

# Final Challenge

This is not a season to sit back.

This is not a season to wonder if revival is possible.

This is harvest time.

God is calling every believer to become a worker in His field.

## Commit To:

- **Building a daily prayer life**
- **Interceding for the lost**
- **Discovering your evangelism style**
- **Investing in discipleship**
- **Saying "yes" to the harvest**

## Key Thought:

The harvest is ready. The question is whether we are willing to enter the field.

## The Invitation

Ask God today:

"Lord, make me a laborer in Your harvest."

Then begin taking practical steps:

- **Pray daily**
- **Listen for His voice**
- **Love people intentionally**
- **Share your faith naturally**
- **Disciple those God places in your life**

The fields are white for harvest.

Let's go into the field together.

## Discussion Questions

1. **What does the phrase "Harvest Time" mean to you personally, and where do you see opportunities for harvest in your everyday life?**
2. **Which of the six prayer practices do you most need to develop, and why?**
3. **Which evangelism style best reflects your personality and strengths?**
4. **Who has invested in your spiritual growth, and how can you begin discipling someone else?**
5. **What practical step can you take this week to become a more active laborer in God's harvest field?**