

**Reaching the Harvest includes:  
Being in Their Pathway Pt. 2 of 3  
Matt 9:35-38**

**Introduction:**

**Being In Their Pathway** – is to intentionally walk into your harvest field and earn the right to share the "Good News" of the Gospel. Sharing that Jesus wants them to know how much He truly loves them.

*Excerpt from the movie Schindler's List "Oscar Schindler says to his friend "I could have done more, more to save more Jews."*

- I. Oscar Schindler Knew He Could Have Done More**
  - a. You and I can do more to save people from perishing in hell's fire
  - b. Jesus did all He could do Matt 9:35
- II. How Jesus saw the Harvest v.37a**
  - a. The harvest is plentiful
  - b. The number of spiritually lost and dying is overwhelming
  - c. In Jesus' day the population of the world was approximately 150 million people
- III. The Harvest is Precious v.36a**
  - a. He had compassion on them
  - b. All those people then and now still matter to Jesus
  - c. It was a love that moved people beyond sentimental feelings to heartfelt action.
- IV. The Harvest is Perplexed v.36b**
  - a. Harassed means - they were defeated by life
  - b. Helpless means - they were broken and without purpose

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- c. Like sheep without shepherd means - they would follow any fad, or guru or new idea or way even to their destruction.

**V. The Harvest is Perishing John 4:35b**

- a. Ripened wheat has a golden hue when ready for harvest
- b. If reaping is delayed the grain begins to turn pale white and will soon fall over on the ground
- c. This stress the critical need of getting into the fields before it's too late.

**VI. The Harvest is Priority vss 37-38**

- a. We need to feel what Jesus feels
- b. He is overwhelmed by His love for people as He see the vastness of the crowds
- c. The perplexity of their problems, and the sense of urgency in reaching them

**VII. What Can We Do?**

- a. Take responsibility for our field
- b. Think of all the people we contact everyday
- c. We are responsible for them

**VIII. Things We Must Do**

- a. It starts with Prayer - we must pray for the harvest
- b. We must also GO! into the harvest
- c. And we must Tell Others about Jesus