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Our Heart for Harvest Priorities

Lesson Three • Matthew 9:35-11:1

Love Fully the Lord of the Harvest

The Missionary Problem Is a Heart Problem.

A lack of heart for the Lord and His harvest leads to a lack of harvest **PRIORITIES**.

A Heart for His Harvest Is Seen in Our Harvest Priorities:

Pray fervently to the Lord for more laborers. Give faithfully through His local church.

The Harvest Priority of LOVING FULLY.

Love for the Lord Himself, for His laborers, and for the lost should move us to action and it should be our ongoing, growing motivation!

1. Love Moves the Lord to MOBILIZE Us for Action!

Loving Fully Moves Jesus to Mobilize Us...

- > To **PRAY** like He prays. (9:36-38)
- To **GO** like He goes. (9:35; 10:1-8; 11:1; 28:18-20)
- To **GIVE** like He gave. (10:16, 24-28, 38-39)

2. Love Motivates Us to Love Fully Not PARTIALLY.

- The issue is who do you love MORE: The Lord or anyone/anything else? (10:34-39)
 - Sometimes the issue is about coming to Christ for salvation.
 - Other times the issue is following Christ as Lord.
 - Other times the issue is *surrendering to missions*.

The test comes when you must **CHOOSE** between obeying, pleasing, and valuing God more than anyone/anything. (10:37-39; 21:28-31)

The test is heart **IDOLATRY**.

What's hindering you from loving fully like the Lord of the harvest?

Is it fear of family **REJECTION**? (10:34-37)

Is it fear of losing out on "the **GOOD** life"? (10:38-39)

> The *proof* is *when* you **PERSEVERE** in loving the Lord as your *greatest* harvest priority. *Matthew 22:35-40*

The priority is to always love the Lord more than people or things for only then will we persevere in truly loving them like God does and like God has loved us in Christ.

What Does the Harvest Priority of Loving Fully Look Like?

All that we do is...

- Motivated by love for the Lord and others: Living, praying, giving, going, sending.
- Managed by love even when we are rejected or persecuted for it.
- **Measured by love** for the Lord as our ultimate priority.
- Maintained by love for the Lord first and people second. Matthew 24:9-14

Prioritize fully loving the Lord of the Harvest because partial love won't persevere or be rewarded in the end. (24:9-14)

Hearts for the Harvest Prioritize Loving Fully!

Love God so much more than anyone or anything else that you will sacrifice everything to obey the Lord of the Harvest and persevere in praying fervently, giving faithfully, loving fully, and going fearlessly until He comes!