

Introduction: Limitations of a Farmer

Record yields are expected in our area because of _____ temperatures and _____ precipitation for this past growing season. As a farmer - you can do everything you possibly can to get a good harvest; but there will always be big factors that are _____ of your _____.

I. The Results of Ministry are Determined by God

Lesson 1 - not to _____ Christian leaders. Even the great apostle Paul doesn't want the credit. He is saying that compared to God, his planting work was rather _____ and _____.

God knows what is happening in your life today and He is at work in your life growing faith; even working in the _____.

In our culture, certain celebrity Christian leaders tend to put on a pedestal, and then they are given too much _____ or too much _____. But, clearly, Paul pushes back against this _____.

II. The Partnership Between God's “Co-Workers”

Lesson 2 - consider what good _____ looks like--the partnership between God's workers. Paul and Apollos weren't _____ to try to be the _____ pastor of Corinth. They worked together in God's field, along with several others.

Paul identifies himself as one who planted the seed because he was the _____ to arrive at Corinth.

Once Silas and Timothy get there, they support the work so that Paul is able to leave his day job making tents and go into ministry _____. (Acts 18:6)

Apollos - as the leader who arrives after the others have left, Paul says that Apollos was the one who _____ the seeds. He helps to _____ this church.

We will have opportunities to be a _____; you might be the _____ that some people even know. And, other times we will also have opportunities to _____ that others have planted. We might be the second or third or even the _____ Christian to come alongside of someone who is journeying toward Jesus.

-- Some Ways that Park Church is Your Partner in Outreach

1) As a pastor, I should consistently explain the good news of Jesus. I need to make sure the messages are _____, clear and _____.

2) In our vision statement we say that we strive to be both a _____ and a _____ congregation.

3) Allowing people to belong _____ they _____.

Park Outreach Playbook: “People will be encouraged to be _____ in the _____, no matter where they are currently on their faith journey.”

Conclusion:

God is _____ at _____ in the lives of people around us. How do we see that happening? How can help others see that happening too?