

## **It's Harvest Time**

### **1. SEED**

Mark 4:3 - "Listen! A farmer went out to sow his seed."

### **2. SEASON**

John 4:35-36 - Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together.

Amos 9:13 - "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when the reaper will be overtaken by the plowman and the planter by the one treading grapes. New wine will drip from the mountains and flow from all the hills.

### **3. SERVANTS**

Mat 21:28-30 -

28. "What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work today in the vineyard.'

29. "'I will not,' he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.

30. "Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, 'I will, sir,' but he did not go.

### **4. SOIL**

Mark 4:8 - Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up, grew and produced a crop, multiplying thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times.

### **5. SACRIFICE**

Ps. 126:5-6 - Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy. He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him.

### **6. SHOWERS**

1 Cor. 12:3 - Therefore I tell you that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

Jn. 7:38-39 - Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

## **7. SURE EXPECTATION**

Gal 6:9 - Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

The seventh key to the harvest is the sure expectation that we must have to reap the harvest.

Rom. 4:16-18

16. Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring--not only to those who are of the law but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all.

17. As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed--the God who gives life to the dead and calls things that are not as though they were.

18. Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

## **8. SICKLE**

Jn. 4:37-38 - Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor."

Mk. 4:29 - As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."

Jn. 4:39-42

39. Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did."

40. So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days.

41. And because of his words many more became believers.

42. They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

Jn. 4:8 - His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.