



Harvest Weekend is the primary way The Hills Church raises funds to support our missionaries, church plants, and partner organizations as we pursue The Great Commission locally and around the world. This message from one of our church planters, Kenny Hart, from The Gathering Harlem takes a look at Matthew 9:35-38 where Jesus said, “The harvest is great, but the workers are few.”

These questions are designed to extend the impact of the weekend message. Use them to go deeper in your personal study time, with your family and/or with a group.

1 Kenny began by reminding us that even though so much has changed in our world over the past couple of years, one thing that hasn't changed is God. **Read Psalm 102:27, Hebrews 13:8 and Habakkuk 1:5.** What encouragement do you find from those verses personally and how should that truth impact our focus relating to our Harvest goal? Follow up: He also pointed out that *“Ask for Nations and Generations has to begin with THIS nation and THIS generation, because the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.”* Why is that such an important starting point?

2 POINT #1: The Message of the Harvest. Read Matthew 9:35. What stands out to you from this verse about who the message was for and what implications does that have for us today? Follow up: Kenny went on to say, *“Jesus’ message is about salvation, liberation, and reconciliation in which He is at the center of it all.”* What is so significant about that statement and how should it impact us today?

3 POINT #2: The Ministry of the Harvest. *God hasn't called us to the ministry of maintenance; He's called us to the ministry of movement.* In what ways might we be tempted as a church to focus on maintenance instead of movement? How does changing the way we look at ministry change the way we approach mission? Follow up: **Read Matthew 9:36.** What motivated Jesus to minister to the people in the ways that He did? When you look at our city, this country, and the nations what do you see and what does it motivate you to do?

4 POINT #3: The Multiplication of the Harvest. Read Matthew 9:37-38. What resonates with you the most from these verses? What is one way they challenge you? Follow up: Kenny said, *“We can spectate at a sporting event, but we have to participate in a Kingdom move!”* Where do you sense God calling you to participate?

5 NEXT STEP: Pray Earnestly. *Whenever God gives you a calling that's greater than your ability, He uses prayer to create capacity.* **Read James 5:16.** When was the last time you prayed earnestly about something that was bigger than yourself? How did that turn out?

6 NEXT STEP: Give Generously. *The vision is big, but God is bigger!* How could your decision to give generously not only impact your life but be a blessing to others?

7 Kenny closed by reminding us that **God wants to enlist you!** *He's looking for average people that are willing to offer the best that they have in faith, because they believe that there's an amazing God who can multiply it to meet the needs around us.* How does knowing that encourage you? What is one next step you need to take?

Note: you can learn more about Harvest here: thehills.org/harvest

