

John pt10 - (4:30-54)

Messiah and Reaping the Harvest

1. John 4:31-34 – Jesus’ meat is to do the will of the Father
 - a. Jesus eating the fathers will - John 6:57-58
 - b. Living by every word of God - Mat 4:4 (2 Tim 3:16)

2. John 4:35-38 – The harvest is ready to reap
 - a. The key parable - Mark 4;13-15
 - b. Sowing the gospel of the kingdom - Matt 13:19; 23
 - c. Sending out labourers – Mat 9:37-38 – 10:5-7
 - i. Sowing and reaping:
 1. It takes time, It takes persistent care, you never get a full harvest; it matters where they are planted!
 - ii. Paul’s labour as a masterbuilder – 1 Cor 3:8-10; 2 Tim 2:7

3. John 4:39-42 – Many Samaritans believe his word
 - a. Israel stumbling – Provoking Israel – Rom 9:6; 33
 - i. “I have not found so great faith... in Israel” Luke 7:9
 - ii. “Thy faith hath saved thee” - Luke 7:50
 - iii. The advantage of the Jew - Romans 3:1-3 : Psalm 147:19-20
 - iv. They entered not into the Rest because of unbelief – Heb 3:14-19
 - b. What did they believe? – “because of the words which she said”
 - i. “Now we know that this is the Christ” – 4:42
 - ii. How would they know? Signs like in 4:18,26; truth like in 4:23
 - iii. *Summary*:
 1. Faith *WAS* believing Jesus was Son of God/Messiah/Lord
 2. A blessing to those who don’t see – John 20:29
 3. Faith *IS NOW* trusting Jesus died for your sins and resurrected for your justification
 4. Don’t argue experience testimonies;
 - a. concentrate on the gospel

4. John 4:43-45 – Jesus well received in Galilee
 - a. 4:44 – Jesus hath no honour from his own country (John 1:11)
 - i. The miracle at Capernaum gains recognition from his countrymen
 - ii. Luke 4:14-22 – Jesus is glorified of all
 - iii. ...except his own countrymen ... Luke 4:23-29
 - iv. Offended by him, no faith - Matt 13:54-58

5. John 4:46-54 – The nobleman from Capernaum
 - a. Identifies continual sign seeking – Luke 11:28-29
 - b. Miracles were a sign – see Luke 10 - Paul’s sign- (2 Cor 12:12)