

Through the Eyes of Jesus

Matthew 9:35-38

35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Quote:

**"Southern Baptists are
a harvest-oriented denomination
living in the midst of an unseeded generation."**

Dr. Chuck Kelley

1. If we can't **see** them, we won't **love** them (Matthew 9:36).
2. If we can't **love** them, we won't **pray** for them (Matthew 9:36-38).
3. If we can't **pray** for them, we won't **win** them (Matthew 10:1).
4. If we can't **win** them, we won't **send** them (Matthew 10:2-5).

I. The **Commitment** of Jesus. (V.35)

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness.

1. Jesus was committed to a **method**.
2. Jesus was committed to a **message**.
3. Jesus was committed to a **ministry**.

II. The **Compassion** of Jesus. (V.36)

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

1. Jesus saw the **people**.
2. Jesus saw their **predicament**.
3. Jesus saw their **potential**.

III. The **Commission** of Jesus. (V.37-38)

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

1. The **Opportunity** Jesus delivers.
2. The **Obstacle** Jesus divulges.
3. The **Obedience** Jesus demands.