

April 2017

Working for the Harvest

Pray First: Then, read the Mission Statement:

WELCOME:

Tell of a time that you worked really hard to accomplish a task or job and what reward did your gain for your hard work? What did it feel like to work hard and see the fruits of your labor?

WORSHIP:

You can sing a worship chorus or ask people to testify about what God has been doing in their life.

LESSON

“It is the things that we work for the hardest that will reward us the most”

“Perseverance is the hard work you do after you get tired of doing the hard work you already did.”

Newt Gingrich

“Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do.”

Pelé

During the month of April, we will be celebrating the beauty of Easter. Our Lord and Savior went to Calvary and left an empty tomb so that we could enjoy the reward of salvation. His sacrifice should be followed by our actions. Here is His instructions:

Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Luke 10:2

What do you think this verse is telling us to do?

How do we labor in the harvest?

Many times a Harvest begins with a dream of what can be accomplished and the reward that will come but it requires labor.

Recently as Pastor Thompson introduced the vision for New Life for 2017, he spoke of the Harvest. It was communicated that the Harvest never just happens on its own, it takes hard work and sacrifice to reap the Harvest. We have sowed into lives and now it is time to reap, but the Harvest requires perseverance and hard work. It requires setting ourselves aside to serve others and to share the gospel.

As we go into the month of April, it should be a time of excitement to see all of the rewards that come with serving others. Many will be given a gift and that is the opportunity to serve others and see the rewards that come directly from your labor.

Serving for a Harvest is always sacrificial.

DISCUSSION

- 1) What have you dreamed about regarding the Harvest?
- 2) What personal goals are in your heart to see accomplished through your efforts of servanthood?
- 3) Going into the month of April and the new opportunities to serve, what aspect are you most excited about?

End with prayer. Ask God to lead us to do that which is important and not to wait until it is too late.

HOME FELLOWSHIP MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of the Home Groups to provide the Body of Christ a safe haven to minister to the needs of others by opening our homes in fellowship, joining together in worship, and encouraging each other to become more like Christ.