

SPIRITUAL FARMING

John 4:28-42



MESSAGE SUMMARY

Farmers live for the harvest season--a time when their crops are taken in and profits are made. But crops don't grow on their own. Seeds must be sown and plants must be garnered by a whole group of active farm workers.

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God is the head Farmer and we are His farmhands, all working together to produce a bumper-crop of people who believe that Jesus is the Savior--Are you in?

DETAILED NOTES

A Seed is Planted (vv. 28-30)

She admits her sin

She admits her need for refreshment

She takes what she heard to others

Samaritan woman left her water pot

She had found something better than water

DETAILED NOTES

The Effect of One Person
Change in the woman's life

Her past

Her reaction

Simple effective witness

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water pot in zeal for souls)

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Jonah

Paul

DETAILED NOTES

One individual transformed by Jesus is
noticeable and attractive

Someone we think is too far gone

Woman of Samaria

DETAILED NOTES

The Farmhands are Busy (vv. 31-38) - (the witnesses were Jesus and the Samaritan woman, but not yet the disciples)

God's Will Must be Finished

Nothing is more satisfying than leading someone to Christ

Farm Terms used in parables

DETAILED NOTES

Field is the world

Good seed is the sons of the king and the word of God (His Word implanted in believers)

The harvest is now

God's Field Must be Farmed

The problem is never that the harvest isn't ready

The problem is that the workers are not ready

DETAILED NOTES

Workers sow, labor, water and reap

Farmhands need to go out to the field

(Acts 1:8)

It took the disciples time to fulfill their calling to
go to Samaria

(Acts 8:1; Acts 8:5-6; Acts 8:14-15; Acts 8:25)

DETAILED NOTES

Jesus had 132 recorded personal encounters with
people

Six at the temple

Four at the synagogue

122 outside of spiritual buildings

DETAILED NOTES

A Harvest is Gathered (vv. 39-42)

Many Believed

When they heard the testimony of the Samaritan
woman

When they saw the change in her life

DETAILED NOTES

More Believed

Heard the testimonies

Experienced the Lord for themselves

DETAILED NOTES

Lord lead me to some soul today Oh teach me

Lord just what to say

friends of mine are lost in sin and cannot find
their way

few there are who seem to care and few there
are who pray

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