HARVEST TIME

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There is certainly a feeling and look of fall as the mornings are a little cooler and some clear evenings as the sun is setting. It looks as if many are trying to get their last cutting of hay before frost. My favorite time on the dairy farm was silage chopping time. Chopping the silage, hauling it and putting it in the silos were an enjoyable time. It seemed all the preparation of fields, as well as planting and plowing were finally paying off. I have been seeing the large trucks hauling the corn to Guntersville. It is harvest time.

It is not hard to see and recognize that our communities, our country and our world is plagued with sin. It is everywhere, every day. This is a disturbing reality. Is there anything good about this whole situation? There is hope even in a sinful situation as this. Jesus died for sinners. He came to seek and save that which is lost. We are living right in the middle of a plenteous harvest, but as in Jesus day, the labourers are few.

Weather permitting; there is no way we would not be in the fields at just the right time to harvest. We would have the right equipment. There would not be any skipped rows. We would surely want to harvest all that was possible to harvest. God give us the care for lost souls that we possess for our crops. This is a much more important field. Souls are at stake. I think Jesus would say that the harvest is ready, the time is right, we just need some workers.

Verse 28 said that we should pray the Lord of the harvest that he would send workers into his harvest. When was the last time you prayed that God would start calling young men into the ministry? Do you know that all of us have been called to be soul-winners? There is nothing wrong with praying that God would place a missionary calling on people in our church. If God were to call you, would you answer the call? The harvest truly is plenteous. Do you not see that the more sinful our society, the more plenteous the harvest? “To the work, to the work we are workers of God.”

Yours in Christ,

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