

Matthew 9:35-38

³⁵Jesus was going through all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.

³⁶Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then He *said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. ³⁸Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest."



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Playing Offense

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Luke 2:52 And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

He saw their condition

He saw the cause; Ezekiel 34:1-4

He saw the chronic problem

He changed strategies

We can win!

- Prayer

"An angel fetched Peter from prison, but prayer fetched the angel."

– Richard Baxter

- A Plan (vs. 5-15)

- Persecution (vs. 16-33)

The consolations of Christ.

1 Corinthians 4:5 ⁵Therefore do not go on passing judgment before the time, *but wait* until the Lord comes who will both bring to light the things hidden in the darkness and disclose the motives of *men's* hearts; and then each man's praise will come to him from God.