



"35. And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. 36.But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. 37.Then saith he unto his disciples, the harvest truly is plenteous, but the **laborers are few**; 38. Pray ye therefore the Lord of Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth **laborers** into his harvest" (Matthew 9:35-38).

We are so privileged that our good Lord has chosen us to do his will. He has shown us the purpose for which he has called us and he is the one who enables us to fulfill that purpose in our lives. His call is upon us. He has already told us in his Word that the "harvest is ready" but "laborers are few." What he meant by that.

Actually, in this century we see that laborers are more than ever before in the field. He means to say that "**the quality, the qualified laborers are few.**" Now let us try to see what he means by that.

1). The First and foremost qualification is, the laborer must have the HEART OF COMPASSION. Bible says that Jesus had the heart of compassion. "But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them..." (vs. 36). We must know that whatever we do must come out of the heart of compassion. No compassion, No ministry. God honors the heart of compassion and moves Himself to perform miracles.

2). The second qualification is the laborer must have a HEART OF A SERVANT. Jesus knew that he had to complete the will of his Father on the face of the earth and for that he humbled himself. Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, (John 13:4-5). In Philippians Paul says, "5. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7. But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of **a servant**, and was made in the likeness of men: 8. And being found in fashion as a man, he **humbled himself**, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross" Phil. 2:5-8).

3). Third qualification is, the laborer must be a man of prayer. Jesus knew he needed strength and wisdom to face every new day. Whole day he was preaching doing miracles walking with people but at night time he would on hills or in the forest and whole night he used to pray and early in the morning he used to be with the people. Man of prayer is the man of power! God takes pleasure in the man of prayer and moves with him to fulfill the purpose for which He has called him.

Let us ponder and think, "are we the laborers of which Jesus is talking about?" Yes, this is most important as we have already entered into the New Year. Let us be that kind of laborer.

May our good Lord continue to bless you and your families. Prema and I love you so dearly and pray for you daily. Write us for we love to hear from you.

Remember, <u>Jesus is Lord</u> and take with you <u>the Word of God and Faith</u>, excellent traveling Companions (Psalms 119:105; II Corinthians 5:7)



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