

Parables For Sinners: Day Laborers

“Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.” *Matthew 9:38, English Standard Version*

Do we think “_____” when reading this parable? Think “_____”.

A Brief Examination Of The Parable Of The Day Laborers

- A. Matthew 20 – The Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard:
1. 20:1,2 – Workers were hired at the _____ of the day.
 2. 20:3-5 – More were hired at the _____, _____, and _____ hours, promising to give them whatever is _____.
 3. 20:6,7 – Even at the _____ hour workers were hired!
 4. 20:8-10 – Those hired _____ were paid a _____ day’s wage!
 5. 20:11-15 – Was the man _____? No, he was _____.
- B. Noticing how this parable is bracketed:
1. 20:16; 19:30 – These statements are virtually the _____.
Peter was concerned with what they would _____.
 2. Wilkins: Those complaining were _____ - _____.

How This Parable Relates To Us

- A. **God is gracious to call us into His kingdom:**
1. 2 Timothy 1:9 – We were called, not because of our _____, but because of God’s _____ and _____.
 2. Titus 3:4,5 – He _____ us according to His own _____.
- B. **Grace is not based on tenure:**
1. 1 Corinthians 15:8-10 – Was Paul _____ to the other _____? By God’s _____ he was what he was.
 2. Romans 10:19,20 – Why were the Jews _____? Should the _____ first be _____, then _____?
 3. 1 Timothy 4:12 – No one should _____ Timothy’s _____ if he was an _____ in how to live.
- C. **There is much work for all of us:**
1. 2 Timothy 1:9 – What is God’s _____ for us?
 2. Matthew 9:36-38 – The _____ is _____. Pray for more _____.

Wilkins: The truths in this parable should produce a deep _____ of _____ to be produced in our _____.

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