

June 14, 2020  
**“It’s Hard To Be An Atheist With Neighbors Like That!”**  
**(Matthew 9:35-10:8)**

In pastor’s illustration about Patrick Greene, Greene says he’s going to show his appreciation (of the kindness of the church people) by doing what for next year’s Nativity scene? \_\_\_\_\_

Here in our passage today, Jesus says something quite significant about Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_ toward people.

Can you think of a better description of the mass of people both then and today? – “harassed and \_\_\_\_\_, like sheep without a shepherd.” **(Matthew 9:36)**

It’s so easy to look \_\_\_\_\_ on people according to the way they \_\_\_\_\_ or what they \_\_\_\_\_ or the way they \_\_\_\_\_....

It would have been easy for Christ to \_\_\_\_\_ the crowds.

But Jesus took a different approach. He had \_\_\_\_\_ for the crowd.

Who is he talking about? Who are the workers sent out into the harvest field? At the time it was his \_\_\_\_\_. Today, it is \_\_\_\_\_!

The motivation is the same in both cases.....

**We are to go into the harvest fields because of our \_\_\_\_\_ for people.**

We are not a \_\_\_\_\_ enterprise.

Our goal is not to enhance our institutional \_\_\_\_\_.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ outside of our church who need our \_\_\_\_\_.

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We’re to bring them to Jesus, but first of all, we are to make Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ to them by \_\_\_\_\_ them his love and compassion!

**One problem in the church today is that some of us have never been in a situation where we really \_\_\_\_\_ help ourselves.**

Many of us are \_\_\_\_\_ of how some of our \_\_\_\_\_ live.

Jesus knew what it was like to \_\_\_\_\_ to people who couldn’t \_\_\_\_\_ back. That’s what he did for us!

Will you join me in \_\_\_\_\_ daily that we become a more \_\_\_\_\_ church?

**Matthew 9:37-38 – “...The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.....Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”**