

In Matthew 9:36 we read the attitude of our Lord Jesus Christ. We read in Matt 9:36 that when the Lord Jesus Christ saw the multitude, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. This is the attitude which is characteristic of the Lord Jesus Christ, and it was the attitude which was characteristic of Martin Luther, and of John Calvin, and of John Wesley, and of everyone else whom the Lord ~~has~~ has greatly used in His service. Those men stood for God's truth, and they stood strongly against error, but the reason they stood for God's truth was because it was the truth that God wished to have given out to reach these people, and to help these people whom they saw were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd, and when Jesus saw this and felt this attitude he turned ~~to~~ to His disciples, and He said, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." And these disciples ~~said~~ said, My, that's fine. Let's pray that somebody will call us to be the principal leader in the synagogue somewhere, that somebody will invite us to this position, and this particular group where we can give out God's Word. Let's ask that we will get a position teaching in one of the established schools conducted by the synagogue. Oh, that we will get a position where we will teach people to understand these things so that they will know more about the Word of God. That's not what Jesus said. Jesus ~~said~~ said, Pray that He will send laborers ~~into~~ into His harvest. He was moved with compassion because the people were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. It has irritated me for many years the difference of attitude which people often seem to have between work in this continent and work in the foreign lands. You go out into a foreign land and what are you supposed to do. You are supposed to reach people for the Lord. You are supposed to gather them together, to form churches, you are supposed to go to people, not because they want you to come, but because they need the message you have, and get them to come together, and form them into churches, and give them the Word of God, and ~~keep them out of~~ <sup>teach them how to be saved + how to grow</sup> ~~....~~ and growing in the knowledge of Christ