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But there is another reason that is just as important. That is the second harvest--the harvest referred to in Gal. 6:7-ff. "Do not be deceived. God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature [here the KJV says "his flesh"] from that nature will reap destruction. The one who sows to please the spirit from the ~~spirit~~ spirit will reap eternal life." The passage goes on to describe the fruits of the spirit and the fruits of the flesh making it very clear that he is here speaking of the development of the individual. God is tremendously interested in the work that we do, the accomplishment we made for Him. This is the tremendously vital harvest but perhaps the second harvest is even more important. He leave each one who is saved here on earth in order to develop in Christian life and Christian character and closeness to God, to become such a one as God desires to have fellowship with through all eternity. Thus we have two great harvests which are of tremendous importance to every Christ, but most particularly to those who are connected with a theological seminary.

Now I would like to use the word harvest in a third relationship--a relation which is not specifically given in the Scripture. ~~This is the harvest~~ Jesus said, Don't say that after four months there is harvest, ~~but~~ Today we can very appropriately say that in four months there will be a harvest-- not a harvest in the ~~same sense as the two we have just looked at~~ ^{the two applications}, but a harvest closely related to them. Today we feel leisurely. We are just starting. Hardly anything has yet been assigned. We know compare == We have ~~comparatively~~ ^{comparatively} little idea of what must be learned or written or experienced during the next four months. It is a relaxed easy-going time but four months from now there will be a harvest period. There will be a time when many will be rushing about ^(B) reviewing ^(C) hurriedly, ~~getting~~ ^(D) finished ^{finished} with term papers, getting ready for examinations, and when a certain number will be preparing to go through a commencement service and receive a diploma, certifying to the completion of an important part of their life preparation. This harvest is a tremendously important harvest for each of us. I would like to speak now of the importance of preparing == of so acting now that we will be prepared for that harvest. As Jesus said, Don't say the harvest is four months off. The fields are already ripe. You must do some harvesting now. Above all you must be sowing in a way to prepare for the harvest properly.

I will read Ma.t 13:24ff from the KJV. "Another parable put he forth unto them saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man who sowed good seed in his field but while men slept his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up and brought forth fruit then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst