

A RADICAL PERSPECTIVE

- 1) Read Chapter 1 of *The Radical Prayer* or watch presentation #1 on Disc 1 of *The Radical Prayer DVD* entitled “A Radical Perspective.” (30 minutes)
- 2) Reflect on the following questions. Journal your responses and where possible share with a small group. (15-20 minutes)

i) What does Jesus mean when He says, “The harvest truly is great?”

ii) Before reading Chapter 1 of *The Radical Prayer*, what was your perspective of the “harvest” in your community?

iii) How would your life change if you began to see the world from God’s radical perspective?

- 3) Pray in response to what you have learned. Once God blesses you to see the world from His radical perspective you will be ready to pray the radical prayer. (10-15 minutes)

“Lord of the harvest, open my eyes to see the world from Your radical perspective and to recognize that the harvest truly is great!”

A RADICAL PROBLEM

- 1) Read Chapter 2 of *The Radical Prayer* or watch presentation #2 on Disc 1 of *The Radical Prayer DVD* entitled “A Radical Problem.” (30 minutes)
- 2) Reflect on the following questions. Journal your responses and where possible share with a small group. (15-20 minutes)
 - i) Take a few minutes to reflect on your life. What distractions are hindering you from responding to the invitation of the Lord of the harvest to join Him in His work?
 - ii) What important lessons did you learn from the stories of Simon Peter and Simon Madrigal?
 - iii) Who do you know that was once a distracted, discouraged, non-laboring laborer who had been renewed by God’s grace and empowered by His Spirit to become an effective laborer for God?
- 3) Pray in response to what you have learned. Thank God that He can take distracted, discouraged, non-laboring laborers and renew them by His grace, empower them by His Spirit, and send them out as effective laborers in His harvest field. (10-15 minutes)

“Lord of the harvest, thank you that You can take distracted, non-laboring laborers and renew them by Your grace, empower them by Your Spirit, and use them as effective laborers in Your harvest field.”

THE RADICAL PRAYER

- 1) Read Chapter 3 of *The Radical Prayer* or watch presentation #3 on Disc 1 of *The Radical Prayer DVD* entitled “The Radical Prayer.” (30 minutes)
- 2) Reflect on the following questions. Journal your responses and where possible share with a small group. (15-20 minutes)
 - i) When was the last time that you earnestly begged God for anything?
 - ii) Why does Jesus appeal to us to earnestly beg the Lord of the harvest to throw out laborers into His harvest?
 - iii) What are your thoughts and feelings about giving the Lord of the harvest permission to throw you out into His harvest?
- 3) Pray in response to what you have learned. Remember that praying this radical prayer is a daily commitment. (10-15 minutes)

“Lord of the harvest, I earnestly beg you to throw out laborers into Your harvest, and You have my permission to begin with me.”

RADICAL CHALLENGES

- 1) Read Chapter 4 of *The Radical Prayer* or watch presentation #1 on Disc 2 of *The Radical Prayer DVD* entitled “Radical Challenges.” (30 minutes)
- 2) Reflect on the following questions. Journal your responses and where possible share with a small group. (15-20 minutes)

i) When was the last time that you felt like a lamb among wolves?

ii) What are your greatest internal and external challenges right now?

iii) What promises does Jesus provide for lambs?

- 3) Pray in response to what you have learned. Thank God that He can use you in His harvest in spite of the internal and external challenges that you face. (10-15 minutes)

“Lord of the harvest, even though I am just a lamb among wolves, thank you that you can use me as an effective laborer in Your harvest.”

RADICAL DEPENDENCE

- 1) Read Chapter 5 of *The Radical Prayer* or watch presentation #2 on Disc 2 of *The Radical Prayer DVD* entitled “Radical Dependence.” (30 minutes)
- 2) Reflect on the following questions. Journal your responses and where possible share with a small group. (15-20 minutes)
 - i) “It doesn’t make any sense,” said Danny. “Why would Jesus send you out to do a work for Him and tell you to leave all of your resources behind?” How would you respond?
 - ii) Think of a time when you felt imposed upon by someone carrying a beggar’s bag. Think of another time when God impressed you to support someone who was joining the Lord of the harvest in His work. What lessons can you learn from these experiences?
 - iii) On a scale of 1-10, where do you see yourself in terms of living in radical dependence on God? (10=total dependence/1=total self reliance) How can a person develop a greater dependence on God?
- 3) Pray in response to what you have learned. Ask the Lord of the harvest to help you to learn how to live in greater dependence on Him. (10-15 minutes)

“Lord of the harvest, help me to live and labor in radical dependence on You.”

RADICAL JOY

- 1) Read Chapter 6 of *The Radical Prayer* or watch presentation #3 on Disc 2 of *The Radical Prayer DVD* entitled “Radical Joy.” (30 minutes)
- 2) Reflect on the following questions. Journal your responses and where possible share with a small group. (15-20 minutes)
 - i) Which of the five stories of radical joy connected most deeply with you? Why?
 - ii) When was the last time that you experienced radical joy as you joined the Lord of the harvest in His work?
 - iii) What is happening in your life right now that is bringing joy to the heart of Jesus?
- 3) Pray in response to what you have learned. Ask God to bring to your mind someone who needs to hear your testimony of radical joy. (10-15 minutes)

“Lord of the harvest, I thank You for saving me by Your grace and writing my name in heaven! I want to bring joy to Your heart as I join You in Your harvest.”