



## Life-Giving Farmers Robert Morris

**Focus** We are planting or watering gospel seeds.

**Fun** Do you have a green thumb? What have you grown from seed?

**Review** Key Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 9:6; 1 Corinthians 3:4–6

**1. You reap what you sow.**

If you sow the gospel, you will reap souls. You can't reap where you haven't sown, and many people aren't reaping simply because they're not sowing. Share your faith everywhere you go!

**2. You reap after you sow.**

You must share the gospel to reap souls! When we share the gospel, we may be sowing the seed, watering the seed, or harvesting the seed. But remember, God is the one who brings people to salvation. Don't let the devil tell you that you have failed if a person doesn't accept Jesus. Winning souls is God's business.

**3. You reap more than you sow.**

If you sow one apple seed, do you get back one apple? No! You get back a whole tree filled with apples. It's the same with witnessing. We will reap souls for Christ abundantly if we have sown abundantly. We can expect a large harvest!

**\*Group Dynamics Idea\*** In the first week of this series, we practiced sharing our stories. This week, have each member develop one sentence that they can incorporate into conversations just as Pastor Robert shared in this message. Allow time for group members to pair up and practice using their one sentence testimony in conversation.

## Discuss

1. When you plant seeds, does every seed sprout? In the same way, when you share the gospel with others, will everyone respond positively? How can we respond to those who respond negatively or don't seem to care?
2. If we want to see many people come to Christ, will we sow sparingly or abundantly? How can we sow abundantly?
3. There are five basic points to the gospel. What are they?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 3:4–6. Who saves souls or gives the increase?
5. According to John 4:36, who will rejoice together? When we share the gospel, we may be \_\_\_\_\_ the seed, \_\_\_\_\_ the seed, or we may be \_\_\_\_\_ the seed.
6. How can we reap more souls than we sow in sharing the gospel?

**Take Home** As we conclude, remember the following:

- We need to get in the habit of sharing our faith.
- We need to know the gospel so we can share with others. The gospel: (1) God became a man in Jesus Christ. (2) He lived the life we couldn't live. (3) He died the death we should've died. (4) And three days later He rose from the grave proving that He is the Son of God. (5) He offers forgiveness of sins and eternal life to all who will repent and believe.
- We may never know, this side of heaven, how many souls are in heaven because we planted seeds.

## Prayer

Lord, thank You for trusting me with the gospel to share with others. As I share about Jesus each day, I pray for boldness. I desire to be part of winning many souls for You this year. Lord, grow the harvest through me. In Jesus' name, Amen.

**\*New Leader Tip\*** Recording attendance is important. As a leader, you can review attendance and reach out to those who have missed meetings. Take a few moments after each group meeting to post attendance and send messages to those who didn't attend. One message may open the door for deeper fellowship with a group member.