



“...He has set a harvest for you.” Hosea 6:11

It is wise and safe to always read the Scripture in context. In this manner we don't put words in God's mouth nor do we then have the license to adjust the Scriptures to our own point of view.

The harvest the prophet is speaking of is a harvest of judgment – a reaping of judgment for the evils that have been sown! (Luke 6:37; Galatians 6:7 – 8). This is a clear principle and truth from the Scriptures. “It is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment.” (Hebrews 9:27).

Now with all of that said, there may come a time we experience the Holy Spirit (because of our limitations) speaking such a portion of a verse to us and His intent holds a completely different meaning or connotation.

Let's be specific.... While in prayer for those outside of Christ; and while crying out for the Lord to bring fruit – this portion of Scripture comes to mind. It is a “rhema” word, a “now” word the Holy Spirit is using to speak into your heart and life. “I have set a harvest for you.”

The Spirit is, in essence, is using this portion of a verse to say this to you, “I have set a harvest of souls and provision for you.” If we were to go – in this instance to the context, confusion and condemnation may ensue and overwhelm us. What do we do? Examine our heart – does it condemn you? Am I in a sin that God is preparing to judge? What is the answer? Yes? Then repent. If “no”, then what is the Lord saying to me? In the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be established and confirmed. Now another verse comes to mind... “In this is My Father glorified, that you bear much fruit.” (John 15:8). And now another springs to mind, “...that I might have some fruit among you also.” (Romans 1:3). The Holy Spirit has now confirmed and encouraged you to continue on in your prayer with a personal word, confirmed by other verses that He has planned a specific harvest – a good harvest for your life!

So, here it is... love Jesus completely. Be wise and discerning. Know your spiritual condition. Honour the Word of God. Walk in the Spirit. You will finish well!

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