

The Harvest Just Ahead
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- I. The First, or Former, Rain
 - A. The first major outpouring
 - B. Heralds the beginning of the cold winter season
 - C. Then rain falls sporadically through winter
- II. The Latter, or Last, Rain
 - A. Coincides with Passover/Easter
 - B. Greatest and heaviest rain
 - C. Applied to church history – Pentecost in the book of Acts
- III. Harvest is the Ingathering of Souls into the Kingdom of God
 - A. The rain is given for the sake of the harvest
 - B. The appointed weeks – Jeremiah 5:23–24
 - C. With population explosion, more souls can be saved than have been saved since Jesus died
- IV. Don't Reject What God Is Doing
 - A. Atheistic communism came to Russia because they rejected a visitation of God in 1870-80
 - B. Israel had to choose between Jesus and Barabbas
 - 1. They chose Barabbas
 - 2. They rejected Jesus as king
 - 3. They claimed to have no king but Caesar
 - 4. The Caesars and Barabbases have been ruling over them ever since
- V. Choose Life over Death; Blessing over Cursing (Deuteronomy 30:19)
 - A. Elijah: "Choose God or Baal." Serve him. (1 Kings 18:21)
 - B. Sell out to God
 - C. When the harvest is past, there is no more salvation (Jeremiah 8:20)