

# Gateway to Life Sermon Notes

"And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified." (Acts 20:32)

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## WE HAVE SEEN HIS GLORY

# The Exaltation of Christ Among the Nations

#### **INTRODUCTION**

It is hard for us to imagine, in the 21st Century, how anyone could conceive of a notion that non-Jews could not participate in Christ's salvation.

Why is this important to us today?

- Every human being regardless of race, color, ethnicity, gender and social status is accepted into the Church based on faith in Christ, alone.
- The passage we are examining is the first tangible sign of the universal scope of Christ's mission

TEXT: John 4:31-42

#### I – CHRIST'S PASSION FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS (v34)

We need food and water to live. Jesus is	saying that they are of no consequence to our
lives compared to doing the will of God.	
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What's the point? Worldwide global missions is more important to Jesus than food itself.

## II – THE PROPHETIC REALIZATION OF GLOBAL MISSIONS (v35f)

Normally in farming the farmer plants in the spring and waits about 4 months to start to gather the harvest. Jesus teaches us that this doesn't work in the Kingdom. Amos 9:11-13.

What is Jesus saying? He's saying that one of the evidences that my Kingdom has come; that the Gospel is going out to all the nations, is that "the treader of the grapes overtakes the sower".

1. When the gospel seed is planted, harvest begins immediately.
2. Jesus says that "that sower and reaper may rejoice together."

III — THE GOAL OF GLOBAL MISSIONS

That is the goal of missions: to see everyone, from all nations exalt Christ.

Revelation 5:9–10

APPLICATION

This is so encouraging on a couple levels.

