SERIES: Gospel of John A Heavenly Appetite John 4:27-42

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 - Because the harvest is <u>ripe</u>. (35)
 - Everyone has a task in evangelism. (36-37)
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 - Both rejoice together and share in the **reward**.
 - We are not working alone, but as part of a larger effort to bring souls to Christ. (38)
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