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LUKE 10:2

WHY TENTWO? Why should you consider joining Southern Baptists in praying TenTwo? Jesus' request continues to call to us today.

Jesus was asking His disciples, and He asks us, to pray with:
- **Urgency**—The ripeness of the harvest implies temporary opportunity.
- **Fervency**—Christ Himself was moved with compassion and effective laborers must possess His heart for the lost.
- **Dependency—**The harvest belongs to God. He owns it. Our plans and processes are worthless without His empowerment.
- **Expectancy**—We must be prepared to become the answer to our prayer.

Jesus would have us pray for workers who are:
- Diligent
- Surrendered
- Faith-filled
- Courageous
- Humble
- Christ-centered

When Jesus commanded His disciples to pray the Lord of the Harvest to "send," He used the Greek word *ekballos*, meaning "to propel or thrust" or even "to cast out." The word has a sense of force. As strange as it may sound, this Luke 10:2 challenge is in essence an appeal for God to "make" workers willing to go to the places of greatest need. Places like the cities of Send North America and beyond. It is a petition for God to fill the hearts of laborers with the compassion.

In light of the dire need for laborers, Jesus did not advise His disciples to recruit, enlist or persuade. His command to them—and to us—is to pray.

Jesus' instruction was not to pursue potential laborers. Jesus' counsel was for the disciples to pursue the God who alone could create a longing in the hearts of those who would respond to the immense need.

Our cities are filled with lost and disillusioned people who need to see something more than Christianity. They need to see Jesus living and breathing and loving through "called out" people. Such laborers must be Christ-centered and Spirit-filled.

When Jesus challenged His disciples to pray for the sending of laborers, He was not simply encouraging prayer for workers to leave their Jerusalem to harvest in Judea, Samaria and the uttermost part of the earth. Jesus was also asking for prayer for laborers to recognize the ripe harvest in their Jerusalem, in their neighbors. He compels us to give ourselves to compassionate service in our own communities.

We must pray that:
- God will send teenage laborers who will engage this culture with Jesus' love.
- God will send laborers of every ethnicity to reach people of every language and culture.
- We are willing to become the answer to our prayer.

TENTWO: PRAYING FOR WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST

Penetrating lostness in North America requires thousands of local churches and tens of thousands of

individual believers prayerfully demonstrating and declaring the gospel with determination and compassion.

TenTwo Prayer Webcast for Missions

Join SBC president Ronnie Floyd, IMB president David Platt, NAMB president Kevin Ezell along with pastors and missionaries throughout the world as we pray for spiritual awakening and our missionaries. Broadcast live the day of the event and archived for future viewing.
Oct. 2 SBC prayer webcast to focus on churches, missions >>
"He told them: 'The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest'" (Luke 10:2, HCSB).

The North American Mission Board invites Southern Baptists to join us:
• At **10:02** each day—morning or night—to pray that God will send workers into His harvest field.
• Use the resources on this page to lead your church or small group in a TenTwo prayer emphasis any time of the year.

Downloadable Resources

- Kit Booklet
- Guide for Praying for the Lost
- Suggested Order of Worship
- Prayer-Related Scripture References
- Logo Art
- Bulletin Insert
- NAMB Send Cities Map
- TenTwo Bulletin Insert (print-ready)
- Prayer Map Poster
- Promotional Video
- Video Message for Pastors

Sermon Outlines

- His Heart for Harvest – Gary Frost
- Pray for Workers-Matthew 9:38 – Michael Lewis
- Pray for Harvest – Michael Lewis
- The Lord of the Harvest – John Marshall
- Pray with Vision – Michael Lewis
- Why Pray-Luke 10:2 – Micah Millican
- Pray for Workers-Luke 10:2 – Michael Lwis
- NAMB Send Cities Map