

Harvest Weekend 2024

Harvest Weekend is the primary way The Hills Church raises funds to support our missionaries, church plants, & partner organizations as we obey The Great Commission locally and around the world. Harvest is an important expression of our vision to “Ask for Nations and Generations.” Every dollar given to Harvest will be used to bring the nations to Jesus so that generations to come can live the Kingdom story.

Harvest Sunday: Small Seeds, Great Harvest (Lou Pizzichillo – Babylon, NY 11/10/24)

1. Can you think of a time when a small action you took led to a bigger result? How did that experience change your view of making an impact?
2. **Read Matthew 13:31-32.** Why do you think Jesus chose something as small as a mustard seed to illustrate the Kingdom of Heaven? Follow up: How does this comparison change your perspective of "small beginnings" in your own life?
3. How do you see the concept of the mustard seed at work in your community or church? What are examples of small, faithful acts that have made an outsized impact over time? What did you learn about God and yourself through those experiences?
4. **Lou encouraged picturing the “bird in the nest” when planting seeds.** What “birds” or results could you imagine when you look at the seeds you’re currently planting? How does envisioning these outcomes impact your approach to service and obedience?
5. **Read Luke 5:1-11.** *Peter obeyed Jesus, even reluctantly, and experienced an amazing result.* Have you ever experienced a blessing by taking a small step of obedience? How did that impact you and others? Follow up: In **Acts 2**, *Peter became the instrument for 3,000 conversions.* How does Peter’s journey from “fishing” to “fishing for people” show the long-term impact of small seeds planted through obedience? How might God be calling you to plant “seeds” for future impact, even if you can’t see the results right away?
6. What seeds do you sense God calling you to plant in your life, family, or community? Follow up: What small action can you commit to this week that could have a larger impact on someone around you, and how will you follow through with that?
7. The Hills Church’s vision is to “Ask for Nations and Generations.” **How does supporting Harvest Sunday help us join God in writing a story that impacts people we may never meet?** How can this Kingdom mindset impact how you view generosity and mission, especially during Harvest season?

