

*"Harvest is past, summer is ended, And we are not saved." (Jer8:20).*

Last Saturday (Sept. 23rd) was the first day of Autumn. It would seem that the seasons changed a little earlier than that this year due to the cooler temperatures of this month. We are now full scale into the harvest football, cider and caramel apples!

So many times when we reach this time of year you can hear people say, "Wow! Where has the summer gone?" The reality of the situation is that summer came and went just as it always does; neither faster nor slower than any other year. We have been so busy enjoying the moment that summer seemed to go by so quickly.

So busy, and yet so confused about life. Working, going, doing, eating, and sleeping. A cycle so often repeated that we take it for granted. We buy more things, only to be less satisfied with life. We see more things, but can't seem to get enough. We do more things, but complain of boredom. Always looking for that something, that will make life more meaningful, exciting, and rewarding.

The OT prophet Jeremiah said that of the many opportunities that Judah had to repent and be saved from their pending destruction were now wasted. Summer (the opportune time) was past and the harvest complete--yet they were not right with God.

As you look back over this summer past are you right with God? As you watch the harvest progress in the fields around you are you ready for the great spiritual harvest to come? Must you say, like Jeremiah, that the summer is past the harvest is over, and you are not yet saved?

Do what is necessary! And do it now.

See you Sunday! -gls