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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST" — JOHN 4:35

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. . . It is a real pleasure to be coming to the listeners of radio station XEG once again with another gospel broadcast. This is THE MISSION TRAIL broadcast of Guthrie, Oklahoma, and your speaker is Willie Murphey. It is with a feeling of debt and obligation both to God and His people that we bring to you another weekly message. We hope you look forward with as much anticipation in hearing the message as we do in hearing from you when you write and tell us how you look forward to The Mission Trail.

For the information of our new listeners and all who may care to write us, I will give you this address once again. It is: The Mission Trail, Guthrie, Oklahoma. If we may be of any spiritual help to you, be sure to let us know.

Listen now to the reading of the scripture from the 4th chapter of Acts. I will begin with verse 18. "And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

FOR WE CANNOT BUT SPEAK

the things which we have seen and heard."

We see then a very interesting report here of some of the things which happened in the early morning church.

Just before this time Peter and John had performed a notable miracle upon a man who had been lame in his ankles for life. Through his faith and the healing power of the New Testament Church which had recently been set in order on the day of Pentecost when the disciples were filled with the Holy Ghost, this man was made to leap and walk. But please observe this: with the coming of greater power to the church came also greater opposition from her enemies.

Let me ask you a question right here. Why do you think the Sadducees objected to the healing of the lame man? Was it because they were interested in the crippled and the sick? Well, I hardly think so. Rather we might say, they were stirred to resist the power of God which had been manifested by Peter and John.

Therefore, Peter and John were in for trouble. In fact, we are told in chapter 4 and verse 3 that "They laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day: for it was now even-tide." I understand from this verse that Peter and John were put in prison overnight. I wonder how many listening to the sound of my voice have ever been in prison.

