

A Kernel of Wheat

John 12:20-25 - Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Feast. 21 They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." 22 Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. 23 Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. 25 The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

1. This group of Greeks represents the world seeking Jesus.
2. The Gospel is for the whole world only because of the cross!

"a point of time or a season when an appointed action is to begin"

3. Anyone who loves his life loses it.

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT TO US?

- Limited in our access to Jesus.
- We would be on the outside looking in.
- We would want to see Him, without any certainty we will.

John 12:32 - But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." 33 He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die. NIV

4. Resurrection power is only released after a death has occurred.

1 Cor 1:23-25 - but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, 24 but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.

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