The Harvest Just Ahead
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I. The First, or Former, Rain
   A. The first major outpouring
   B. Heralds the beginning of the cold winter season
   C. Then rain falls sporadically through winter

II. The Latter, or Last, Rain
   A. Coincides with Passover/Easter
   B. Greatest and heaviest rain
   C. Applied to church history – Pentecost in the book of Acts

III. Harvest is the Ingathering of Souls into the Kingdom of God
   A. The rain is given for the sake of the harvest
   B. The appointed weeks – Jeremiah 5:23–24
   C. With population explosion, more souls can be saved than have been saved since Jesus died

IV. Don’t Reject What God Is Doing
   A. Atheistic communism came to Russia because they rejected a visitation of God in 1870-80
   B. Israel had to choose between Jesus and Barabbas
      1. They chose Barabbas
      2. They rejected Jesus as king
      3. They claimed to have no king but Caesar
      4. The Caesars and Barabbases have been ruling over them ever since

V. Choose Life over Death; Blessing over Cursing (Deuteronomy 30:19)
   A. Elijah: “Choose God or Baal.” Serve him. (1 Kings 18:21)
   B. Sell out to God
   C. When the harvest is past, there is no more salvation (Jeremiah 8:20)

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