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Do you have any memories of harvest?

A sickle cutting corn? Even at my advanced age (77 next birthday!) I can't remember that! But I do remember

those luscious Victoria
plums that I never seem
to come across now!
Sometimes I see PYO
signs saying they are
around - but time always
makes me resist the



enticement to discover if they're really as good as I recall them!



Another memory is Harvest
Thanksgiving services. In
those days our Church in
Guernsey was decorated with
produce including what to me
are the most delicious grapes
in the world - Cannon Hall.
Every year a tantalizing, mouth
watering bunch was elegantly

tied over the pulpit. What a temptation!

One of the harvest hymns we sang enthusiastically contained words which I doubt I ever really reflected on.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto His praise to yield, wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.... What a mix of happiness and misery!



Yet the words **are** truthful. According to the Lord Jesus (the most compassionate person who ever lived on earth) there will be such a harvest. The Scriptures teach us very clearly on this point. *Man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment.*

This is the hymn's message - the eternal happiness of those who repent and believe that the Lord Jesus really did die for their sins, and the sorrow of those who refuse to come to Him. Our prayer is that many in this area will trust in our Saviour!

We'd love to see you at Harvest Time and at any other time you can make it. Please come!

Sincerely

George Rabey - Pastor

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The Harvest Thanksgiving Services this year will be on Sunday 18th September and we hope you will be able to join with us on this occasion.



Chapel Services

Sunday services are at 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Sundays 11 a.m. to 12 noon Good News Group

(Children 3 years and over)

Thursdays 7.30 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study

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