

SEEDTIME AND HARVEST

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Gen.8:22; Mk. 4: 13

An understanding of mysteries. We are all sowers whether we realize it or not, or believe it or not.

We can alter and direct the course of our futures and understand the effects of the past by getting and utilizing this basic spiritual concept. Works in all realms.

I. Seed Time and Harvest.

One of four major Biblical concepts.

A. Shall not cease.

1. While the earth remains.

B. Time to sow and reap. Opportunity, Phil. 4

Eccl. 3:2 ... *a time to plant,*

1. Cause and effect.

a. Action and reaction.

b. The world recognizes this concept. *“What goes around, comes around.”*

II. The Seed.

A power of God.

A. Yields fruit after like kind perpetually. Good or bad depending on what's sown.

The seed is in the fruit and is programmed to produce something specific. It is literally on a mission with invisible instructions.

Gen. 1:12 *And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.*

Gal. 6:7 *Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.*

“If you don't like what's growing in your life, change the seeds that you're sowing.”

“Our lives are products of seeds (choices, words and actions) that we've sown in the past.” The seed is “whatsoever.”

1. Judgment. Mt.7:1

2. Forgiveness. Mt.6:15

3. Flesh. Gal.6:8

4. Friendship. Pr.18:24

5. Money. Mal.3:10-11 The tithe is not seed.

6. Love Jn.3:16

7. Words, cars, etc.. Job was told to change his words (seed.)

- 8. Healing. James 5:16
- 9. "Whatsoever..." Gal. 6:7
 - a. Sow what you want to grow! Specific. This message is seed.
- B. Is given by God
 - 2Cor. 9:10 *Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;*)
 - 1. Provides the increase.
 - a. Seed multiplies.
- C. Don't eat your seed.

III. Sowing.

The seed will not produce without sowing either deliberately or arbitrarily. It is dead until sown. Only weeds grow without labor.

- A. Sparingly or bountifully.
 - 2Cor.9:6 *But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.*
 - Lk.6:38 Can be sown by design. Deliberate.
 - 1. Percentages vs. quantity (widows mite.)
 - 2. Cheerfully. (Hilarious.)
 - 2Cor. 9:7-8 *Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:*
 - a. Extends abundant favor. vs. 8
 - b. Ensures sufficiency in abundance.
 - [1.] Ensures the future. A life of consistent sowing produces the overtaking blessing of Deut. 28:2
 - c. The blessed church at Philippi.
 - Phil. 4:19 *But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*
- B. Proper ground. Right conditions.
 - Luke 8:8 *And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.*
- C. Watered.
- D. Resist enemies; weeds, birds.

IV. Reaping.

Sometimes receiving is learned behavior.

Phil. 4:15 *Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.*

A. Expect a harvest.

1. Expect to reap the fruit of the seed which you've sown.

Fruits of righteousness.

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2. Expectation is reflected in our talk and actions. Rms.4:17

Takes work and care.

a. Faith. 2Cor.5:7

b. Put God in remembrance.

Isa. 43:26 *Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.*

[1.] Speak. Declare.

B. Takes time.

Gal. 6:9 *And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.*

1. A Season.

Eccl. 3:1 *To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:...*

Eccl. 3:2 *...a time to pluck up that which is planted;*

2. Three stages of growth.

Mark 4:28 *For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.*

a. Blade.

b. Ear.

c. Fullness.

C. You don't always reap where you sow, but you'll always reap what you sow.

Matt. 25:24 *Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown,...*

1. In the natural you do, but not necessarily spiritually.

D. Be thankful.

Col. 2:7 *... abounding therein with thanksgiving.*

1. Can be and should be, by faith, done beforehand.

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