

Sowing and Reaping

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Scripture:

“⁶ Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸ For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.” (Galatians 6:6–10, ESV)

From the Introduction:

The world has a great need for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. People struggle, day-in and day-out to find themselves, or should I say to keep from losing themselves.

- 1) There is the _____ of reaping and sowing.
 - a) “A man reaps what he _____”.
 - b) The principle must be _____ to our thoughts.

- 2) There is the _____ of reaping and sowing.
 - a) The one who sows to the _____ will reap corruption.
 - b) Even when God _____, one may still reap its harvest.

- 3) There is the _____ of reaping and sowing.
 - a) The one who sows in the _____ will reap eternal life.
 - b) The harvest is _____.

Remember:

³⁷ For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ ³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.’” (John 4:37–38, ESV)

Reflect:

“Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds that you plant.” - Robert Louis Stevenson

Seek:

In 1 Corinthians 3:5-7, Paul noted that while he planted and Apollos watered, it is “only God who gives the growth.” How might understanding this spiritual law of sowing and reaping, and seeing God as the source of all growth positively influence you in sharing the Gospel?

Share:

In the message, Pastor Mark stated, “We must take care in what we sow because God’s law will always hold true.” Share with the group how the promise of the Spirit has been a positive influence on the spiritual harvest in your life.

Serve:

In John 4:35 we read, “Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest.” Jesus’ words are an indication to all of us that the work has begun, and the kingdom is in great need of laborers. Prayerfully consider how the Lord might put you to work in His field and share your insight with the group.

Pray:

This week ask the Lord to prepare you for the work of the harvest. As you “lift up your eyes,” ask Him to help you Spiritually, and not just physically, see the great needs that surround you, and then step into the harvest field prepared to minister in Jesus’ name.