THE TIMING OF SEEDTIME AND HARVEST

Genesis 8:22

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Seed, time and harvest was established in the book of Genesis. It is a promise from God that will last to the end of days. Genesis 8:22 says, "While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

God told us in His Word that we would always sow seeds and reap a harvest. However, what He did not mention was **WHEN** our harvest will materialize in our lives.

Understanding the **TIMING** of your harvest will help you stay encouraged to sow seeds.

When a person keeps sowing seeds (doing good works) and they do not see a return on their investment it can lead to discouragement. If you keep giving, giving and

giving **WITHOUT** receiving a return it can become exhausting. You will feel silly. As a matter of fact, you may question yourself and your measure of intellect.

Seeds are not meant to harvest when you sow them. They are meant to harvest when you **NEED** them. In the Bible King Jesus uses agriculture parables to explain His message regarding seedtime and harvest.

When farmers plant fruit seeds they plant them in soil.

After the planting is completed, the fertilization process is started. Once the fertilization process is completed, nutrients and water is added.

However, there is one component that is necessary in order for the fruit seeds to materialize into its fullest potential. The seeds need **SUNSHINE**. Unfortunately, farmers **CANNOT** control when the sun will shine.

This same concept applies to life. Everything you **DO** is a seed. The good deeds you do, the bad deeds you do, the

things you say, the motive in which you give, the way in which you give is a seed. Farmers cannot control the sunshine and you cannot control life circumstances.

WHEN YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGE YOUR HARVEST WILL MANIFEST!

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When your condition changes you can expect to receive a harvest from the seeds you sow. Here's what I mean:

- If you lost your job and you need someone to help you financially, the financial seeds you sowed when you did not need the money will harvest in your current condition because you NEED it.
- If your friends left you and you need someone to befriend you the seed of friendship you sowed to others will harvest in your current condition because you NEED it.

- If you happen to experience health challenges and you have to be admitted to the hospital the seed of visitation you sowed when you someone else was in the hospital will harvest in your current condition because you NEED it.
- When you treat righteous people wrongly the seed you sown will be returned unto when you NEED someone to treat you right. When you NEED someone to treat you right, they won't, because of the seed you previously sowed.

Your seeds will harvest when your condition **REQUIRES** it. There is no numerical timeframe when your harvest will germinate. Your harvest will manifest when your **CONDITION** requires it. It may be in one month, one year or ten years.

While things are going good for you sow plenty of good seeds (doing good deeds) because when hard times come those good seeds sown will be the harvest that will give you comfort, protection and security in bad times. Remember, whatever you sow you shall reap.

It will rain on the just and the unjust. Mathew 5:45 says, "If you do this, you will be true children of your Father in heaven. He causes the sun to rise on good people and on evil people, and he sends rain to those who do right and to those who do wrong."

Tough times will happen but you do not know when. God has put the sowing and reaping system in place to persevere you during these times of hardship. The TIMING of your harvest will ALWAYS come when you NEED it most, NOT when you want it.

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