

DAILY BREAD

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SEEDTIME AND HARVEST TIME

Genesis 8:22(KJV)

While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

Seedtime is a very important time of the seasons of life but not a very interesting one. No one enjoys seeding. It is sacrificial and painful. It is risk because you buy your seed and bury it in the ground and goes home. You are not in control of what will happen to the seed. It is very easy to start doubting the principle if you are not careful, because it seems like you have lost everything especially to something that you can't control. No one likes this season, you can't be sure, doubts are in your head. It looks like you have wasted, it's like stupidity. If you were to be given another chance you would say no, I don't want to plant anymore because there is nothing to guarantee that the seed will come out. If you go out scattering your seed, it's easy for people to say you are wasting or throwing it away because at that time there won't be any difference between scattering/sowing and throwing away. Some seeds you will have to cover them with soil and it's easy for one to say you are burying it because at that time burial and planting looks like the same.

We all want the harvest times. These are good times, happy moments. It's very easy during harvest time, everyone is happy and the most surprising thing during that time is that even those who didn't plant anything will also want to participate in harvest time. But the scripture teaches us in ***Galatians 6:7***". Do not be deceived, God is not mocked, whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap". If a man doesn't sow anything, he will not reap anything or if a man sows little, he will also reap little. God will never change this principle. So am saying to us brethren, the quality of our seed is the quality of our harvest. Your harvest is controlled by your seeding. Be very careful during your seed time because your harvest will be a direct result or outcome of your seed.

If you cheat during planting, you are only cheating yourself because your harvest will reflect that you cheated at planting. Do not be like the proverbial farmer who takes the fertilizer meant for his crops and sell it to make quick money not knowing that the harvest has a way of revealing the cheating that took place during the seedtime. This is not a farming lesson but a spiritual one. Of anything you do for the Lord, do it with all your heart knowing that God has set a time for rewarding everything that we do for him. If you cheat now, you aren't cheating the pastor or anyone, you are cheating yourself. You reap what you sow. Do not withhold the good that you can do for God or for others because by doing so you are like a farmer withholding his seed during seed time, how will he then celebrate during harvest time. You are not punishing anyone by not doing anything for God, you are punishing and cheating yourself.

2 Corinthians 9:10 says" He who supplies seed to the sower and bread to the eater will MULTIPLY your seed and increase your fruits of righteousness. God multiplies everything that you do for him back to you.

Anything you have can be used as a seed. If you have plenty of time, use that time as seed to do good and help humanity, if you have energy, serve God with your energy, If you have money, don't just use it for yourself, help others who are in need, finance the work of God. Do not eat your tithes because when you do, you are like that stupid farmer who eats his seed today but still want to enjoy the harvest tomorrow, you can't have your cake and eat it...All these things look very stupid, painful and unnecessary when you do them but remember, there is no joy in seeding, joy comes during harvest. God makes sure that no one misses his/her harvest. Hallelujah!

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GOD IS NOT MOCKED

Galatians 6:7 (KJV)

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. Don't let anyone deceive you brethren, God can never be mocked. God will make sure that whatever you have sown, that you will definitely reap. Even if you sow in private, that doesn't matter, when you reap you will reap publicly. Sowing can be private but reaping is public. Some people will not want to identify with their harvest at the day of reaping because everyone's eyes will see your harvest and can tell the kind of seed you planted. We may not know the seed that you are planting with your life right now because we don't know your private life but you cannot hide from anyone what you will harvest from it, then it will be very easy for anyone to know what seed you were planting.

Dear brothers and sisters, God has set irrevocable laws that govern this universe and one such law is the of sowing and reaping. **Genesis 8:22** says, "as long as the earth liveth, seed time and harvest time will not cease..." You see now? Whatever you are doing right now privately or publicly, you are planting a seed. Whatever action you wake up to do is a seed that you are planting, whatever you speak, your words are seeds that you are planting, anything you are doing right now for God, fellow brethren or for anyone including family, it's a seed that you are planting. Even if you are doing bad things, the scheming, the cheating etc, is also a seed you are sowing in the spiritual soil. Now God in his faithfulness will make sure each one of us before we die, we must first enjoy or endure the consequence of our seed, we should taste the sweetness or bitterness of our harvest. So, for you to control your harvest, you need to control your seed. You can't change your harvest....it will exactly be like the seed you have planted only that a harvest is much bigger than the seed planted. I know that if you plant 25kg of maize seed you reap 2000kgs-7000kgs of maize grain. At harvest your seed is always multiplied, imagine if it's a wrong seed.

To those who are doing good, do not tire in doing so for in due season you will reap (**Gal 4:9**). I know seed time is a painful time, is a testing time but you must know with certainty that harvest time is coming. At harvest time, your joy will be completed. To those who are doing bad now,

you have to change your ways because it doesn't matter how clever you are or how rich or educated you are, you will never escape your harvest. Only that God is patient and most people think his patience is a weakness.... you can't mock God and laugh at his ways and get away with it, Never!

Enjoy your day

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