

Devotional: Sowing & Reaping

Christian Devotion on Sowing to the Spirit

Read: Galatians 6:4-10 (NKJV)

"...For whatever a man sows, that and that only is what he will reap." (v: 7).

In our reading today, we see the affects of sowing to the flesh and sowing to the spirit. If we are sowing to the spirit, we will reap eternal life. If we are sowing to our flesh, we will reap from the flesh, decay and ruin. If we are sowing anger, bitterness, jealousy, resentment, hateful feelings, lust, sexual immorality, filthy talk and joking etc., we will reap those things in our lives. We need to refuse to allow ourselves to dwell on these things. All of these will eventually take root and become part of who we are. Once we get roots in our lives, it is hard work to up-root it. The way to not let it take root is to nip-it-in-the-bud (so to speak). As soon as we start having these thoughts, we need to recognize it and refuse to think on it. We have to be on guard and be listening to God when He points it out to us, for quite often we may not even realize the thoughts we're entertaining are wrong. Sometimes we may even think it's justifiable.

Let us keep on sowing to the Spirit. It says in V: 9, "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint." Even though we are diligently doing what the Lord requires and being obedient to the Lord's promptings, it can seem that nothing much is happening and it's not making a difference. But don't give up, for we shall reap at the appointed time if we do not faint.

Let's just keep on doing what God would have us do—being a blessing and sharing with others, especially our brothers and sisters in the faith, and God will take care of the rest.

Just remember, we will reap that which we sow!

The wicked man earns deceitful wages, but he who sows righteousness (moral and spiritual rectitude in every area and relation) shall have a sure reward [permanent and satisfying]. He who is steadfast in righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God) attains to life, but he who pursues evil does it to his own death. - Proverbs 11:18-19 (AMPC)

Lord, I know that I shall reap
That which I have sown
I ask you, Lord, to help me sow
To that which I must grow in.

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