



The Law of Sowing and Reaping

Good morning church, I want to welcome you to our service today. If this is your first time joining us here on Sunday Online, we would like to welcome, you to our service today and invite you to join us every Sunday for a weekly message.

Let us pray

Introduction

Did you know that just as there are physical laws in the universe that sciences have proven and use daily like The law of Gravity and the law of lift and many more there are also Spiritual laws that God has ordained for mankind?

The truth about any law is that no matter if you believe in that law or not it still has an effect on your life. You can not believe in gravity but if you walk off the edge of a building you will fall at a constant speed, whether you believe it or not.

In the same way, Spiritual laws have a profound effect on your life and many of us do not even realise this and then we question why certain things happen to us?

Some Spiritual laws are:

- **Faith** – you believe that God is GOD and that He rewards those that come to Him in faith – **Hebrews 11:6**
- **Love** – Love God with all your heart soul and spirit and love your neighbour as yourself
- **Sowing and Reaping** – What you sow you will reap, and this is the title of my message today.

What you sow, you WILL reap!

Let us read **Galatians 6:7-10** *“7 Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. 8 Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. 9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”*

The Bible is very clear that what you sow, you WILL reap, you might ask Pastor I am not a farmer, and I am not sowing so how can a reap a harvest, however, the Bible talks about what you sow as words, actions, and deeds will come back to you as a harvest.

Think of this, your life, your career, your marriage, your relationships, your finances, your health etcetera, everything about you and where you are today is because of the seeds you or someone else has sowed into your life!



When Noah came out of the ark God gave him a promise that He would never destroy the earth again by a flood and there were four things that would never change, **Genesis 8:22** *“22 “As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.”*

Note that the first thing that will never cease is seedtime and harvest, sowing and reaping, so if sowing and reaping is a constant and it is a law, and if what we sow multiplies into a harvest, what seed do you think we should be sowing today?

Sowing and Reaping

Many people live like there is no tomorrow and there are no consequences to their actions, sadly they are wrong!

The Bible clearly says that you will reap what you sow! We just read it in **Galatians 6:7** and **Genesis 8:22**. So, if the Bible is very clear and we can see it in our lives.

I have a few health challenges in my body that I am busy working through to correct but they are all a product of the seeds of an accident many years ago which I had no control over but also the foods I chose to eat and the lifestyle I lived, I enjoy red meat and I have eaten a lot of it and now I have gout!

Is it God's fault for giving me gout or my bad choices, the bad seeds I sowed? It was my lifestyle choices and the seed I sowed that now have become a harvest in my life.

The GOOD NEWS is that I can start by sowing good seeds into my life, change my lifestyle and my eating habits, change what I eat by stopping or eating less red meat, sugar and carbohydrates and make better choices which are seeds I sow to give me a better health.

So, you too can change any bad harvest into a good one but doing, by consuming, by reading, by hearing/allowing the right things in your life.

Sowing the Good seeds

Therefore you have built inside of you the ability to change your circumstances and the direction of your life by sowing good seeds into your life today.

Remember when you sow, you reap what you sow, if you need love then sow love, if you need money then sow money, if you need encouragement sow encouragement, I have never heard of a farmer who sowed maize and reaped grapes or sowed pineapples and reaped apples!

When you need something then sow that thing as a seed into other people's life.

Let me give you a few examples of what I mean:

Giving

Many people do not have enough money and there are many reasons for this. Some might be bad choices like getting involved in too much debt or not earning enough money,



however, money is a seed. Many people do not have because they do not sow money and many churches will remind you that you need to sow money, which is correct, but did you know that God actually says that the amount you give/sow directly affect your receiving/reaping?

Let us look at **2 Corinthians 9:6-11** *“6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 7 Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 9 As it is written: “They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever.” 10 Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.”*

From this scripture there are many nuggets I want to discuss about sowing and reaping:

Firstly, if you sow a little you will reap a little – just as in nature if you sow only a few seeds you will only reap a small crop. Think of a farmer, how much money does he pour into preparing his fields, he does not skimp on different types of fertilizers, and use cheap seeds, why? What he puts in the ground will reproduce in the crop so bad seeds or bad soil will produce a bad crop.

So, if you need money then you need to sow money. How do you sow money? You give it away to churches, missions, helping widows and orphans, those people begging at the traffic lights, or helping a person at the grocery store by paying for their groceries.

Remember is you sow little or sparingly you will reap little or sparingly and if you sow bountifully, you will reap bountifully.

All I can say is this works! I have tested it over and over and God just blesses me when I give. Remember you can NEVER outgive God!

Secondly, give with the correct attitude/heart. If you give but you are thinking of how you cannot afford it then do not give, there will be no reward. This verse clearly says you decide how much or what you will give but do not do it reluctantly or under compulsion, its other word, before you go out your hour, before you go to church, before you give, ask God what you need to give and then give that.

What this verse is saying is there must be some planning and you decide what you will give so that it is not under compulsion or reluctantly. Do not think of what you could do with that money, give it with the right attitude/heart and give it with a blessing and you WILL receive a reward.



Thirdly, God is the happiest being in the universe and He loves it when His children are kind and generous like He is and when we give with the right attitude, and He will reward you for your giving and the attitude that you give.

Now you might be saying but this is a prosperity message, but Jesus clearly says in **Matthew 6:24** *“24 “No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”*

You can not sever both God and money, so that implies that you can serve money, or you can serve God not both at the same time and you cannot love God and money.

Money is a tool, it is not evil as the world says, the Word of God says that the LOVE of MONEY is the root of all kinds of evil **1 Timothy 6:10** *“10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.”*

So, you need to choose which you will serve, money or God and the way you serve God believe that God is God, by believing that His Word is true and worth your actioning it, and by making God your source, being generous in your giving and doing this all in Faith – **Hebrews 11:6** says God will reward that kind of FAITH!

Marriage

Let us talk about marriage if you are single and you want to find a partner, sow love. If you are married but your “spark” in your marriage is dead, start to sow seeds of Love and appreciation. Start to help your spouse and you will be surprised at how quickly your marriage will turn around.

Do not wait for your spouse to first do something, you know, if she/he does this then I will do that, no you do it, you sow the seeds and reap the harvest in your relationship with your spouse.

Remember LOVE is spelt T-I-M-E, spend time with your spouse, do things for each other and do things together, it does not have to cost money, make a cup of coffee and sit down with them and talk about your day, talk about your dreams/plans. Tell them you love them and plant positive seeds into your marriage

At Work

Lastly, let us talk about work, sadly we have to work to earn a living but your attitude and your willingness to work hard and be faithful are the seeds you plant for success.

It does not matter if your boss does not see it or want to promote you, God will make a way for you to prosper.

I had a Muslim boss, that did not like me because I was a Christian. And I could see how I was treated and how he always sided with others against me, but I remained faithful at



work, I worked hard and respected him, and planted small seeds and you know what he changed and just as he did, God moved me on to a wonderful boss that liked and appreciated me and wanted to see me succeed.

Conclusion

As I close this message, I want to emphasise that your future, where you will be, what you will do, your financial freedom, your relationships especially with your spouse will be the best ever if you will start to plant seeds of giving, sowing, savings, love, respect, speaking word that is uplifting and wholesome.

Turn away from all negativities and when you do face negativity, replace that thought or those words that person said to hurt you with the Word of God and what He says about you and I promise you, your life will change for the good!

As I close let me inspire you with the words of **Proverbs 18:20-21** *²⁰ From the fruit of their mouth a person's stomach is filled; with the harvest of their lips they are satisfied. ²¹ The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.*

Your mouth, your words, your actions, your thinking, you are giving, your time, what you are reading and watching and much more are seeds good or bad that you will receive a harvest from in your future!

So, start to sow good seeds into your future and tomorrow WILL BE a better day because your harvest might take some time, but it will be a very good one!

Let's pray