# The Power of Seeds and Harvest Dr. Gary Whetstone

Text: John 4:35 ESV Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. 36 Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.

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."

**Introduction:** Everything in life comes from seeds. As we sow God's Word everywhere and to everyone we also harvest from everywhere we sow. Others have sown and we also reap the harvests from the seeds they have sown. **Every Word of God is Life. Sow life and you reap life!** 

- Galatians 6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. <sup>8</sup> For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. <sup>9</sup> And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.
- Psalms 126:5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. <sup>6</sup> He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.
- **Proverbs 11:29** He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart. <sup>30</sup> The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.

## 1. Your Father's Love and God's Will

**John 3:16** For **God so loved the world,** that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

### • Work with the Holy Spirit

**1 Timothy 2:4** Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; <sup>6</sup> Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

#### 2. The Holy Spirit's Work

**John 16:7** Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

### • The Holy Spirit in the World

<sup>8</sup> And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: <sup>9</sup> Of sin, because they believe not on me; <sup>10</sup> Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; <sup>11</sup> Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. <sup>12</sup> I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

### • The Holy Spirit and you

<sup>13</sup> Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. <sup>14</sup> He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. <sup>15</sup> All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

### 3. Your work to GO! SPEAK! & DO!

• You are His Masterpiece

- Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship "Masterpiece", created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
- **Philippians 2:15** That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, **among whom ye shine as lights in the world;** <sup>16</sup> **Holding forth the word of life;** that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.
- Go
- Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. <sup>16</sup> He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. <sup>17</sup> And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; <sup>18</sup> They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. <sup>19</sup> So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. <sup>20</sup> And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.
- Sow

**Matthew 13:23** But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

- Declare
- **Matthew 10:32** Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. <sup>33</sup> But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.
- Work
- Mark 16:20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.
- **John 9:4** *I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.*
- John 20:21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

  22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: 23

  Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

#### **Declarations:**

I am God's masterpiece ordained to work God's Works in Jesus' Name!

The World is prepared to receive my Seeds in Jesus' Name!

I sow God's Words of Life therefore I reap Life and Joy in every area in Jesus' Name!

I accept God's calling to GO and REAP! IT IS HARVEST TIME! In Jesus' Name!

Worship God with your First-Fruits, Tithes and Sacrifices:

- 2 Corinthians 8:10 And here is my judgment about what is best for you in this matter. Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. <sup>11</sup> Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. <sup>12</sup> For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.
- **2 Corinthians 9:6** But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. <sup>7</sup> Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: