



Kingdom Harvest

Pt. 1

a) Genesis 8:22 (NKJV)

“While the earth remains,
seedtime and **harvest**,
cold and heat,
winter and summer, and
day and night shall not cease.”

The Body of Jesus Christ

John 12:24, 32 (AMPC)

²⁴ I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains [just one grain; it never becomes more but lives] by itself alone. But if it dies, it produces many others *and* yields a rich harvest.

³² And I, if *and* when I am lifted up from the earth [on the cross], will draw *and* attract all men [Gentiles as well as Jews] to Myself.

The Blood of Jesus Christ

1 Timothy 2:5-6 (NLT)

5 For, there is one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus.

6 He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone. This is the message God gave to the world at just the right time.

Ephesians 2:13 (NLT)

13 But now you have been united with Christ Jesus. Once you were far away from God, but now you have been brought near to him through the **blood of Christ.**

Genesis 8:15-18 (NKJV)

15 Then God spoke to Noah, saying,

16 “Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you.

17 Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that *is* with you: birds and cattle and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.”

18 So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him.

Genesis 8:19–22 (NKJV)

19 Every animal, every creeping thing, every bird, *and* whatever creeps on the earth, according to their families, went out of the ark.

20 Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

21 And the LORD smelled a soothing aroma. Then the LORD said in His heart, “I will never again curse the ground for man’s sake, although the imagination of man’s heart *is* evil from his youth; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done.

22 “While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease.”

5 Noteworthy Points!

- “Season” is God’s idea, not man’s idea.
- Seasons are experienced by both people and environment.
- Every season is useful. God fulfils His plans for our lives in every season that we encounter. Never undermine the effects of each season.
- Therefore, we ought to be sensitive to know when seasons change. And learn to maximize the changes.

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5 Noteworthy Points!

- We are not solely responsible for the change of seasons, however, our cooperation is required when the seasons change.

For Example: Luke 4:1-2 (NIV)

1 Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

2 where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

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8 reasons why is it important to understand seasons?

- It will help us pray strategically (when winter season is here, we do not pray against it, rather we strategize on how to handle the activities that come with it. So too it is with the other seasons.)
- It will give us hope for the future (when one season is here; there is hope that this too shall pass away. No season is here to stay.)
- It helps us remain focused on the tasks at hand (During seedtime season, we sow; during harvest time season, we harvest; etc.)

8 reasons why is it important to understand seasons?

- It helps us minimize or completely avoid false expectations (For example, You will not expect snow in the heart of summer.)
- It helps us maintain our identity (do not assume the identity of your season; rather assume and maintain your identity as a child of God).
- The seasons are repetitive (cyclical) therefore, it helps to know that we will experience every season more than once however, at different magnitudes.

8 reasons why is it important to understand seasons?

- “Time” is the factor between seasons. Two or more people may not be in the same season at a given time however, you can patiently and comfortably look forward to your changes because it will happen.
- It helps us effectively manage our emotions – impatience, jealousy, anger, hate, etc. So that we are not tempted with or by the season of our fellow brethren.

Seedtime or Seed?

Genesis 8:22 (NKJV)

- 22 “While the earth remains, **seedtime** and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease.”

English word “Seedtime”: Hebrew word “zera”

Meaning; “a sowing”, “seed”, “offspring”.

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3 Characteristics of the harvest season

a) It is a time for rewards.

- Hebrews 11:6 (NKJV)

⁶ But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

- Genesis 15:1 (NKJV)

¹ After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I *am* your shield, your exceedingly great reward."

- Hebrews 10:35 (NLT)

³⁵ So do not throw away this confident trust in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you!

Other Scriptures: Col 3:24; Ps 127:3; 2 John 1:8; Ps 37:4; Matt 10:41-42;

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b) It is a time for growth.

Genesis 26:12-13 (Berean Study Bible)

12 Now Isaac sowed seed in the land, and that very year he reaped a hundredfold.

13 And the LORD blessed him, and he *became richer and richer, until he was exceedingly wealthy.*

Luke 5:5-7 (NIV)

5 Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

6 When they had done so, they caught such *a large number of fish* that their nets began to break.

7 So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

Matthew 6:33 (KJV)

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be *added* unto you.

3 Characteristics of the harvest season

c) Is a time for reaping.

- 2 Corinthians 9:6 (NIV)

6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

- Proverbs 11:18 (NIV)

18 A wicked person earns deceptive wages, but the one who sows righteousness reaps a sure reward.

- Hosea 10:12 (NIV)

12 Sow righteousness for yourselves, reap the fruit of unfailing love, and break up your unplowed ground; for it is time to seek the LORD, until he comes.

Other Scriptures: Gal 6:6-10; 2 Cor 9:6-10; Prov 22:8.

9 important things everyone
"MUST KNOW"
about Harvest Season.

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a) Harvest is God's covenant with creation

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b) Harvest is a principle in scripture

Definition

☐ Miracle

- A miracle is an extraordinary event that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore attributed to a divine power.
- Miracles occur when God directly and supernaturally intervenes in a way that seems to go against the natural order.
- Miracles are works of God to restore the created order (that is, undo brokenness).

☐ Principle

- A principle is a kind of rule, belief, or idea that guides a person.

b) Harvest is a principle in scripture

- ❑ A principle is different from a miracle.
- ❑ Harvest can be miraculous, (and we will expound on that later) but never forget that it is a principle.
- ❑ Therefore, when it comes to the principle of kingdom harvest, there are guiding rules in order to succeed. **It is not automatic.**

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c) Harvest happens on earth

☐ Harvest happens on earth. Therefore, expect to harvest on earth.

Genesis 8:22a NKJV)

“While the earth remains...”

☐ There are earthly rewards which we can get through harvest.

☐ There are heavenly rewards which we will receive when we get there.

So, do not confuse these truths and let the enemy deceive you into thinking that you do not deserve to enjoy harvest here on earth.

d) Harvest proceeds seedtime

❑ Genesis 8:22 NKJV

“While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest.

- ❑ Seed sowing/planting precedes harvest according to this principle.
- ❑ We harvest where seeds are sown (our seeds or others seeds).

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e) Harvest is a season

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We understand from...

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:”

Ecclesiastes 3:2b (NLT)

A time to plant and a time to **harvest**.

Genesis 8:22 (NLT)

As long as the earth remains, there will be **planting and harvest**, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night.”

f) Harvest is time sensitive

❑ Proverbs 10:5 (NIV)

“He who gathers crops in summer is a prudent son,
but he who sleeps during **harvest** is a disgraceful son.”

❑ There is a possibility to miss out during the harvest season.

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g) Harvest is relationship based

- ☐ A relationship to partner with God to become a blessing to God's children. Kingdom harvest is a way of God handing back responsibility to man.
- ☐ Or, giving man an opportunity to cooperate with Him in order to enjoy His benefits to man.
- ☐ A person who is comfortable living according to principle, is a person who enjoys the gift of relationship.

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h) Harvest is man's responsibility

- Reaping is not automatic.

- Harvest/reaping is by faith.

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (NIV)

“Whoever watches the wind will not plant;
whoever looks at the clouds will **not reap**.”

- In the kingdom, harvest/reaping is guided by a word from the Lord”.
When we receive a word from the Lord whether or not conditions are unfavorable, still harvest.

i) Harvest is a spirit led activity

☐ Harvest is a spirit led activity. Meaning it is godly, not carnal.

Reason – Harvest is God's idea. Anything that comes from Him is godly, not carnal.

☐ It is not something done by the rule of the flesh, rather the spirit and that is why we established in the previous point that it is by faith.

☐ Read Genesis 26:1-6, 12-13 about Isaac

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Genesis 26:1-6 (NIV) - Isaac and Abimelek

- ¹ Now there was a famine in the land—besides the previous famine in Abraham's time—and Isaac went to Abimelek king of the Philistines in Gerar.
- ² The LORD appeared to Isaac and said, **"Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live."**
- ³ Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham.
- ⁴ I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed,
- ⁵ because Abraham obeyed me and did everything I required of him, keeping my commands, my decrees and my instructions."
- ⁶ **So Isaac stayed in Gerar.**

Genesis 26:12-13

¹² Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, **because** the LORD blessed him.

¹³ The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow until he became very wealthy.

- ❑ It is noteworthy to restate that as kingdom citizens, we sow in faith, and we harvest/reap in faith.
- ❑ The principle of seed and the principle of harvest work together.

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Conclusion

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