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A Rich Harvest

I want what you want. **What do I want? Do you want to reap a rich harvest for my kingdom? Do you want to store up treasure in heaven with me? Do you one day want to hear me say, "Well done"?** Yes of course I want to reap a rich harvest. I want to live a life that is pleasing to you. I certainly want to store up treasure in heaven with you. Nothing would please me more than to hear you say, "Well done". **With these desires in mind, there are a few things that you must know.** You have my full attention. What must I know? **You must know that you will reap what you sow. And you have two choices before you. You can sow to your sinful nature. Doing so will lead to destruction. Or you can sow to the Spirit. Sowing to please the Holy Spirit will bring life now and forever. Sowing to please the Holy Spirit will also bring a rich harvest for my kingdom.** Well, I will sow to please the Holy Spirit. I will do what is good and right and true. Never will I sow to the sinful nature. I will not do anything that would cause evil to grow in my life. I will separate myself from evil in all its forms. You will have my full attention. My heart and mind and life will be fully focused on you. I will seek to know and do your will. **That is very good.**

But there is more that you must know. I'm still listening. **The road ahead will not be easy. I will ask you to do what is difficult and demanding. I will ask you to give your very best effort. You may grow weary. You may be tempted to give up and quit. Don't do it. Come to me. Rest in me. Allow me to refresh and renew and revive you as you keep on serving me.** That I will do. **That will be very good.**

There is still more that you must know. You still have my attention. **Don't immediately expect a rich harvest for my kingdom. Sowing and reaping are always in different seasons. You may go long stretches without seeing the fruit of your labor. Don't become discouraged. Don't be depressed. Keep on relying on me to work in and through your life. Keep on abiding in me and remaining in my presence. I will keep on using you. One day, you can be very sure that you will reap a rich harvest for my kingdom, because you didn't give up.** I won't give up. I won't quit. I will keep on serving you until we meet face to face. **That will be very good. Then you will hear me say, "Well done."** Thank you, Lord.

Lord, I will not sow to the sinful nature. Instead, I will sow to what pleases the Holy Spirit. Strengthen me so that I will keep on doing all the good things you have given me to do for you. Help me, in due time, to reap a rich harvest for your kingdom and glory. Amen

We Will Reap A Harvest

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Promises – Galatians 6:7-10

In Context: Read Galatians 6

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

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What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

What kinds of activities would amount to sowing to the sinful nature?

How are you making very sure that you are not sowing to your sinful nature?

What kinds of activities would amount to sowing to please the Holy Spirit?

How are you making it your priority to sow what is pleasing to the Holy Spirit?

What work has the Lord given you to keep on doing for Him?

Why is it important to keep in mind that sowing and reaping a harvest will always be in different seasons?

How is the Lord strengthening you so that you do not grow weary and give up?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Never give up and keep on serving the Lord so that in due time you will reap a rich harvest.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that you will reap a rich harvest if you do not give up and keep on serving the Lord.

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you are not giving up and are continuing to serve the Lord.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you keep on doing the good you have been given to do, so in due time you will reap a rich harvest.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, help me to keep on doing the good you have given me to do for you.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how will you strengthen me to keep on doing the good you have given me to do for you?
