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SOWING AND REAPING

Galatians 6:7-10

REWRITE!

INT: Those who forget God's laws are those who fail to read. Slothfulness is clearly the result of man's laziness. There is no excuse for ignorance of God's truths. J. 15:22. Study: One of God's simple laws we are prone to forget.

I. WE WILL ALL REAP JUST WHAT WE HAVE SOWN FOR GOD. Vs. 7.

- A. Man can deceive man, but never God. Acts 5:4.
- B. God will not tolerate mockery "sneering". Acts 13:6-12.
- C. God tells us we cannot sow one thing and reap another!
 - 1. Ill. Sewing burlap bags. "I'm reaping." Knt. 660.
- D. Today is the planting time. Tomorrow all must reap.

II. WE REAP WHAT WE SOW FOR OURSELVES ALSO. Vs. 8.

- A. Too many of us deceive ourselves. Most common form.
- B. Deceived or not, we shall reap the kind of body we sow.
 - 1. Pour alcohol, inhale smoke fumes, swallow improper foods and will reap a corrupted body.
- C. The improper use of the body produces disease and mental strain which will break down the body to weakness.
- D. If we sow the winds of sin and revelry we shall reap the hurricane of sorrows and regrets. Hosea 8:7.
 - 1. Life can become a boomerang. Sowed weeds. Knt. 662.

TENANTIII. WE REAP FROM OTHERS WHAT WE SOW FOR THEM. Vs. 10.

- A. God wants all Christians aware of the needs of others.
 - 1. Story of Good Samaritan illustrates this. Lk.10:30-37.
- B. God's social laws work as naturally as His agricultural laws operate. II Cor. 9:1-6.
 - 1. If we sow nothing to others we reap nothing.
 - 2. If sow abundantly, reap abundantly. Luke 6:38.
- C. God's exhortation is to help the sick, feed the hungry, and supply their other needs. II Cor. 9:7.
- D. God will make up anything man lacks. Psalms 37:25.

IV. WE REAP WHAT WE SOW ONLY IF WE ARE PATIENT. Vs. 9.

- A. "Season" is a relative term. Can mean several things.
 - 1. Length of time it takes for God's natural law to work.
 - 2. Length of time it takes for man to do enough to bring the results he desires; WITH GOD'S HELP.
- B. To "faint" is to relax our prayers and efforts. May stop just short of success. Basis of optimism.
- C. Saving souls involves planting, cultivating, watering, and the Lord giving the increase.
- D. One soul is worth all prayers, tears, waiting and love.

THE BIBLE

INV: God will reward only those who qualify for His grace by their obedience to His Word. B-R-C-B.

Erring: Haven't been reaping happiness because we have been sowing sin and neglect. R-P.

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2. The seed falls on good soil. (Matt. 13:9)
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