

PRINCIPLES OF SOWING AND REAPING

Romans 6:1-4 (KJV)

¹ *What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? ² God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? ³ Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.*

1 John 1:5-10 (KJV)

⁵ This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

⁸ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

PRINCIPLE 1: YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW

Galatians 6:7 (KJV)

⁷ *Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.*

Matthew 26:52 (KJV)

⁵² *Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.*

As a person's action is so is his reward.

PRINCIPLE 2: YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW WITH INCREASE

Hosea 8:7 (KJV)

⁷ **For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind:**

Anything you do will be duplicated with increase to you too.

We might lose some of our records here on earth; you can even set building ablaze to hide what you have done, but God keeps His records. People burn down buildings to hide their iniquity, but God's records cannot be burnt.

PRINCIPLE 3: GOD PAYS BACK

Jeremiah 17:10 (KJV)

¹⁰ *I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.*

PRINCIPLE 4: NOTHING IS HIDDEN FROM GOD

Amos 9:2-4 (KJV)

² *Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down:*

³ *And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bite them:*

⁴ *And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good.*

SOW TO YOURSELVES IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, REAP IN MERCY

Hosea 10:12 (KJV)

¹² *Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.*

THE WICKEDNESS YOU SOW, YOU WILL REAP THE SAME FOR EVERY SIN HAS A DAY OF VISITATION

Job 4:7-8 (KJV)

⁷ *Remember, I pray thee, who ever perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?*

⁸ *Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.*

The day may come after many years. It may come when you do not expect it.

From a single grain of corn that you sow you can reap four hundred grains. The evil you may reap from an evil action will be more devastating than what you sowed.

THE STORY OF DAVID'S FAMILY

DAVID TOOK BATHSHEBA URIAH'S WIFE

2 Samuel 11:2-5 (KJV)

² *And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and **the woman was very beautiful to look upon.***

³ *And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, **Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?***

⁴ *And David sent messengers, and took her; and **she came in unto him, and he lay with her;** for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.*

DAVID KILLED URIAH

2 Samuel 11:14-17 (KJV)

¹⁴ *And it came to pass in the morning, that **David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah.***

¹⁵ *And he wrote in the letter, saying, **Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.***

¹⁶ *And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he **assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant men were.***

¹⁷ *And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell some of the people of the servants of David; and **Uriah the Hittite died also.***

THE THING THAT DAVID HAD DONE DISPLEASED THE LORD

2 Samuel 11:27 (KJV)

²⁷ *And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. **But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.***

2 Samuel 12:7-12 (KJV)

⁷ *And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;*

⁸ *And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things.*

⁹ *Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in his sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.*

¹⁰ *Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.*

¹¹ *Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.*

¹² *For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.*

ABSALOM AND AMNON ARE DAVID'S SONS

2 Samuel 13:1 (KJV)

¹ *And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.*

Amnon rapped Tamar Absalom's sister

2 Samuel 13:14 (KJV)

¹⁴ *Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.*

ABSALOM KILLED AMNON

2 Samuel 13:28-29 (KJV)

²⁸ *Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then kill him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant.*

²⁹ *And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man gat him up upon his mule, and fled.*

ABSALOM WANTED TO TAKEOVER HIS FATHER'S KINGDOM

2 Samuel 15:13-14 (KJV)

¹³ *And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.*

¹⁴ *And David said unto all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not else escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.*

ABSALOM SLEPT WITH HIS FATHER DAVID'S WIVES

2 Samuel 16:21-22 (KJV)

²¹ *And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall the hands of all that are with thee be strong.*

²² *So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.*

JOAB DAVID'S COMMANDER IN CHIEF KILLED ABSALOM DAVID'S SON

2 Samuel 18:14 (KJV)

¹⁴ *Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak.*