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THE LAW OF INCREASE – PATIENCE IN THE PROCESS!

Scriptures & notes for self-study

Introduction

A farmer plants his seed, covers it with soil and walks away confident that something is happening underground. He doesn't dig up the next day to check if the seed is growing, he simply trusts the process knowing that in time it will produce.

- If we sow we will reap, but there is a process before the reaping and the process is called time.
- Many people plant in faith and lose faith in the waiting time.

James 5:7 NKJV

7 Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain.

- The harvest doesn't come overnight, God's promise requires faith and patience to inherit.

1. Waiting is part of God's process.

- We often think delay means denial and it doesn't.
- That waiting period has a purpose to it.
- You may not see movement on the surface but something is happening underneath.
- During that time, something happens to the seed and to you.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 NKJV

1 To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven:

2. Faith is proven in the waiting

- True faith is not just believing when you plant it is trusting when nothing seems to be happening.
- The drought and rain is not in your hands you need to be patient in the waiting.
- Do not dig up the seed out of panic.
- It is easy to sow in faith but harder to wait in patience.

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- Faith plants the seed and patience keeps it in the ground until it bears much fruit.

Hebrews 6:12 NKJV

12 that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

3. Don't dig up what you have planted

- The quickest way to ruin a harvest is to stop believing before it is time.
- When we complain, doubt or quit it is like digging up the seed before it grows.
- The words you speak, decisions you make and actions you take these principles are evident and at work every day.
- Do not speak death over it, do not change the good decisions you have made over time.
- The increase is not up to you, you need to sow and move on.
- Word of advice: When you sow a seed forget about it, sow it and move on.
- If you have sown prayer, kindness, generosity and obedience don't give up, keep watering your seed with thanksgiving and faith.

Galatians 6:9 NKJV

9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

4. God uses waiting to grow you

- The waiting season is not wasted it is where God works in you, while the seed works for you.
- Patience develops, character, endurance and trust.
- God isn't just preparing your harvest He is preparing you to handle it.
- Sometimes the waiting season is God's mercy in disguise.
- Put your trust back to God.
- It is important for God that you grow with the harvest.

Romans 5:3-4 NKJV

3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope.

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5. When the time is right the harvest comes quickly

- There's always a moment when the process turns into fulfilment and when that moment comes things can shift fast, because the seed has matured.
- You might not know when your harvest is coming but you can be sure it is on schedule.

Mark 4:28-29 NKJV

28 For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head. 29 But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

Practical Examples

- A person who has been sowing kindness for years, suddenly experiences favour and open doors.
- A business owner who stayed faithful in hard seasons, suddenly sees growth.
- A believer who has been praying for loved ones finally sees them come to Christ.
- A student who has been consistent finally reaps the success.
- Patience pays off!

Practical Application

- Reflect: What seeds have I planted that I have been impatient about?
- Choose to trust again, say: Lord I believe the seed is working even if I cannot see it. I trust that it is in good hands and that it will work on my behalf.
- Keep watering your seed, with worship, gratitude and consistency.
- Speak faith not frustration, every word can either water your seed or uproot it.
- Be ready to harvest, when God says its time step out boldly and gather what you have believed for and get going.

Conclusion

- The waiting season is never wasted, it's the bridge between the sowing and the reaping, sow time, waiting time and reaping time. Don't quit in the middle, keep your faith alive, your heart expectant and your eyes on Jesus. Your seed has a schedule and your harvest is closer than you think: DO NOT GIVE UP!

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Habakkuk 2:3 NKJV

For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry.

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