FRUITFULLNESS

Colossians NKJV 1: ¹⁰ that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing *Him*, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Genesis NKJV 1: ²⁸ Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that [h]moves on the earth."

1. What does fruitfulness look like?

Proverbs NKJV 11: ³⁰ The fruit of the righteous *is a* tree of life, And he who [i]wins souls *is* wise.

1 John NKJV 3: 8 For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

2. Your life should produce good works

John NKJV 5: 14 "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. 16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

2 Corinthians NKJV 5: Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. To For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

1 Corinthians NKJV 3: 13 each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. 14 If anyone's work which he has built on *it* endures, he will receive a reward. 15 If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

3. We must stay connected to the vine

John NKJV 15:1 "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He [a]takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³ You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide

in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

• The Father is the Vinedresser,

Define Vinedresser: a person who cultivates and prunes grapevines

4. Pay closer attention to your life

Luke NKJV 21:34 "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with macarousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly. 35 For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. 36 Watch therefore, and pray always that you may mbe counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."