#### Jon't be Jeceived (God is not Mocked) AUGUST 4, 2019 PASTOR DEREK FORSETH

#### Deuteronomy 31:8

The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

#### DEFINITION

#### <u>Admonishment:</u> Encouragement with a warning

#### **TIMOTHY 4:3**

For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear.



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Those who follow the prosperity gospel fall hard when they fall on hard times. They learn God isn't the ATM that preachers advertised Him to be. They are shocked & unprepared for trials that test & refine faith, & they accuse God of heaping trouble upon them. It is a sad sight.

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#### **GALATIANS 6:9**

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. GALATIANS 6:7-9

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.<sup>8</sup> Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.<sup>9</sup> Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

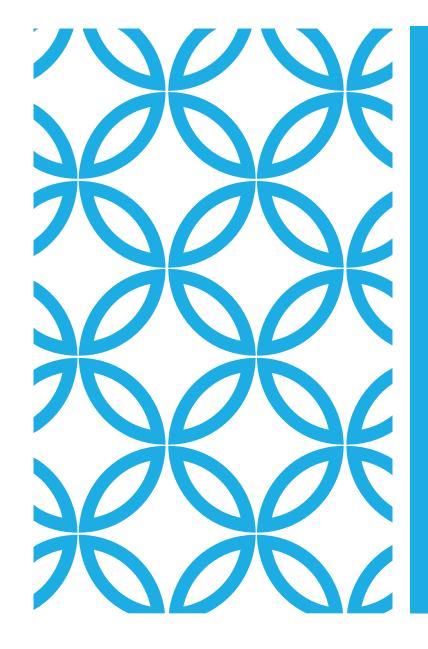
#### What we sow we reap:

#### Sow to flesh we reap corruption

Sow to the Spirit we reap everlasting life

#### **2 CHRONICLES 36:15-16**

The LORD, the God of their ancestors, sent word to them through his messengers again and again, because he had pity on his people and on his dwelling place. <sup>16</sup> But they mocked God's messengers, despised his words and scoffed at his prophets until the wrath of the LORD was aroused against his people and there was no remedy.



#### DEFINITION

Remedy: to set right an undesirable situation

#### **SOBERING TRUTH**

# We mock God when we think we can sow one thing and reap another.

#### SOWING AND REAPING

## Sowing- how we spend our time and resources.

Reaping- the consequences or rewards for what we sow.

#### **JEREMIAH 9:6**

#### You live in the midst of deception; in their deceit they refuse to acknowledge me," declares the Lord.

#### **JEREMIAH 17:9**

#### The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

#### **GALATIANS 6:7**

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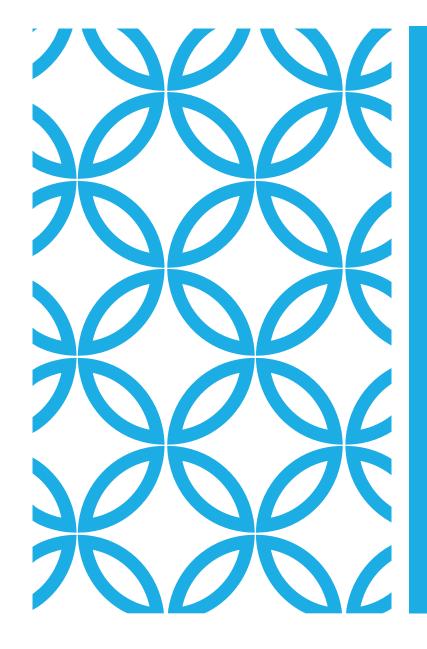
## **JAMES 1:16-17**

Deceive: a false idea or belief that causes ignorance or bewilderment.

Beguile: to lead astray or frustrate by underhandedness.

Mislead: to lead astray intentionally or unintentionally.

> Delude: to deceive so thoroughly as to obscure the truth.



#### **MATTHEW 24:12**

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## **MATTHEW 24:3-4**

As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you.

At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, <sup>11</sup> and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people.<sup>12</sup> Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, <sup>13</sup> but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.

<sup>14</sup> And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.<sup>15</sup> "So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand—

<sup>16</sup> then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.<sup>17</sup> Let no one on the housetop go down to take anything out of the house.<sup>18</sup> Let no one in the field go back to get their cloak.<sup>19</sup> How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers!

<sup>20</sup> Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. <sup>21</sup> For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again.

<sup>22</sup> "If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened. <sup>23</sup> At that time if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Messiah!' or, 'There he is!' do not believe it.

#### MATTHEW 24:37-39

As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup> For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; <sup>39</sup> and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

## TRUTH

"We are to take ground for the kingdom of God and hold it at all costs. Darkness will continue to grow but don't let it get to you. Nobody is more powerful than God!"

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**JEREMIAH 2:2-3** "Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem: "This is what the LORD says: "'I remember the devotion of your youth, how as a bride you loved me and followed me through the wilderness, through a land not sown.<sup>3</sup> Israel was holy to the LORD, the firstfruits of his harvest; all who devoured her were held guilty, and disaster overtook them," declares the LORD.

## **JEREMIAH 2:13**

"My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

## **DECEPTION (HOLES)**

- Compromise
- Fears
- Worries
- False doctrine
- Distractions
- Apathy

## **DECEPTION (HOLES)**

Condemnation
 Romans 8:1 - Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus

Unwholesome talk
Matthew 15:11 - What goes into someone's mouth does not defile them, but what comes out of their mouth, that is what defiles them."

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.

<sup>34</sup> Who then is the one who condemns?No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

<sup>36</sup> As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

<sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,<sup>39</sup> neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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# Deception may give us what we want for the present, but it will always take it away in the end.

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