

The Year of Harvest

Prayer Guide

Week 53

The Year of Harvest – Year end Reflections – Abundant Fruitfulness

that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Colossians 1:10 (NKJV)

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Prayer Focus: This year, in various ways we have looked at the consequences of faithful sowing...reaping. Whether it is the sowing of eternal reward where the trees bear their fruit in each season for the healing of the nations, or whether it is reaping the fruit of righteousness in our personal lives as we sow in faithfulness. God is a God of abundance. His desire is that we not only be fruitful, but that we be fruitful in abundance. When it comes to blessing and rewarding His people, God is not stingy, nor is He miserly. God's heart is for abundance. Just look at His creation. The abundance of stars and galaxies in the heavens, or the abundance of the varieties of flower upon the heart. Wherever you look, there is evidence that our God is a God of blessing and abundance. Why is it then that we do not take this by faith and sow in abundance that we might reap in greater abundance? Whether it is because we do not know enough about the character of God, or whether we are not filled with confident faith. Whatever holds us back, God wants us to overcome those things, and as Paul says here, walk in a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, so that He can increase in abundance in our good works and in our knowledge of Him. Of course this theme is not only for this year, nor do the principles end on December 31st. Now is the time to honestly and with faith, evaluate our life in this past year and ask if we have reaped in abundance. Then the Lord wants us to commit ourselves to sowing in even greater abundance in all these areas so that at this time next year we can see His faithful hand of blessing and abundance. Come, let us strive for fruitfulness in abundance.

Day 1: Look honestly at your life over this past year. Where have you seen and not seen God's abundant blessing.

Day 2: Confess before the Lord, those areas of your life where you have sown little and reaped little.

Day 3: Talk and pray with your family about how you as a family can use your gifts and honor one another.

Day 4: Commit yourself today to greater faithfulness in sowing in your life in this next year.

Day 5: Pray for others in your church, that they might live in greater abundance in the year ahead.

Day 6: Pray for the leadership of your church, that they will be blessed in greater measure this next year.

Day 7: Pray that the missionaries you know will realize greater reaping in this next year.