## The Year of Harvest

Prayer Guide

## Week 9

## The Year of Harvest – Reaping More than we Sow

But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

## **Luke 8:8 (NKJV)**

Prayer Focus: We have been looking at some of the principles of sowing and reaping. To conclude this section, we look at the principle that there are times when we reap more than we sow. Reaping more than we sow is fundamental to the laws of the harvest. God, the creator has built into seeds that one seed will reproduce much more than just the one. An apple seed produces a tree that produces hundreds of apples full of seeds to reproduce more. A grain of wheat produces a stalk that is full of more grains of wheat. Jesus reminds us that it is true that there are some seeds that for various reasons do not produce in abundance. But it seems in these verses that Jesus wants us to focus our attention on those seeds that fall on good ground and produce a crop a hundredfold. In our lives, whether it is in the area of family, service, honor, gifts, or finances, there will be those times when the seed that we sow will take root, and under the blessing of God produce more fruit than we had sown. You may witness to many people, but then God finds the heart of that one person who receives gladly, and grows to lead many more to the Lord. You are a part of that harvest. The true dimensions of our sowing will never be known here on earth. Only when we stand before the Lord and we see the accumulated affect of our faithful sowing will we understand why the Lord calls us to sow faithfully, and not grow weary because we will see in that day that we have reaped more than we have sown.

- **Day 1:** Praise God that He has built into the seed the principle of multiplication.
- **Day 2:** Meditate on that day when you stand before the Lord, will you harvest more than you have sown?
- Day 3: Ask the Lord to help you keep your eyes on His promise of harvesting more than you sow.
- **Day 4:** Ask the Lord to help you to sow abundantly so that you will have seed that falls on the good soil.
- **Day 5:** Pray that your church will continue to teach these truths as a way of encouraging the people in your church to keep sowing and not give up.
- **Day 6:** Pray for other churches in your city, their pastors, and leaders to understand these truths.
- Day 7: Pray that the missionaries in your church will hear and be encouraged by these words of Jesus.