

# We Always Reap What WE Sow!!!

- An Absolute Fixed Law in the Natural Realm:

- *And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. Gen 1:12*

- An Absolute Fixed Law in the Spiritual Realm

- *Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. 8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. Gal 6:7-9*

- Can't Change or Undo this. Once Sown whatever seed, it will always produce AFTER ITS KIND

# Started with Adam ... Never Stopped

- *as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus **death spread** to all men, **because all** sinned — Rom 5:12-13*
- How did death spread? It was not automatic. God did not do it. Death spread BECAUSE ALL (every individual – one at a time) sinned.
- Paul's Example.
- ***I was alive** once without the law, but when **the commandment came, sin revived and I died.** <sup>10</sup> And **the commandment**, which was **to bring life**, **I found to bring death.** Rom. 7:9-11*
- Like Paul, we too were alive ... Can't remember everything, but the fruits are still bearing fruit.

# ALWAYS know what we have sown

- *But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own lusts and enticed. 15 Then, when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death. James 1:14-15*
- Each lust produces it's own fruit and each fruit is produced by its own lust.

# We can Do What Nature Can't

- The treasure of our own heart can change with every new lust and desire.
- *"For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. 44 For every tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. 45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks. Luke 6:43-45"*

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# Fruit Before we Obeyed the Gospel

- *For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 **What fruit** did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death.*  
Rom 6:20-22
- We were sowing to our flesh ... Planting the lusts we chose to activate through temptation and evil companionship.
- The roots of those temptations are still within us and the fruit that they will bear is always a threat.



250 varieties of apple 1 Tree  
So with us... Lusts create different  
fruits on same tree (our Heart)

# Seedlings of the Fruit of the Spirit

- *Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another — to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. 5 For **when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death.** Rom 7:4-6*
- *Therefore, brethren, **we are debtors** — not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. 13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die; **but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.** Rom. 8:12-14*



# Fruit Based on Lusts we Sowed

- We pluck the sinful fruits by repentance
- We produced the fruits of the Spirit through the fruits of repentance.
- *Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones. 9 And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." Luke 3:8-9*

# True Fruits of Repentance

- The emotions we feel after we have sinned:
- *For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death. 11 For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication! In all things you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter. 2 Cor 7:10-12*
- If we do not feel these things there are not fruits of repentance and these fruits remain on our tree.

# Fruits of the Spirit / of Repentance



# We Receive Rain

- *"For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, 11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; Isa 55:10-11*
- *For the earth which drinks in the rain that often comes upon it, and bears herbs useful for those by whom it is cultivated, receives blessing from God; 8 but if it bears thorns and briers, it is rejected and near to being cursed, whose end is to be burned. Heb 6:7-8*

# It is All within Our Power

- *33 "Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its fruit. Matt 12:33-34*
- *Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. 11 Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? 12 Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh. James 3:10-12*
- *Sadly it will always be in our power to change the fruit of our tree and salt or fresh water.*



# This is our Biggest Problem

- We created our own unique blend of fruits and thistles, vegetables and thorns.
- As we compare the works of our own flesh and the fruit of the Spirit we find our own unique blend of fruit.
- *I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Gal 5:16-18*

# We Must Abstain

- *Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, 12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation. 1Pet 2:11-12*





# Know the truth and be made FREE

- We ARE responsible:
- *Beloved, I beg **you** as sojourners and pilgrims, **abstain** from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, 1 Peter 2:11-12*
- ***You** ... Therefore **put to death your members** which are on the earth: Col 3:5*
- ***you put off**, concerning your former conduct, **the old man** which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that **you put on the new man** which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness. Eph 4:22-24*

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