



And this gospel of the **kingdom**
will be *preached* in all the **world**.
MATTHEW 24:14

Sowing and Reaping

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Summary

The heathen have a certain way of living; a way of accomplishing things to have their needs met. By being born again, we have a different way of living. We have a different method and way of accomplishing things to have our needs met. We are to get things from God in a different way and at a different level. Everything we do has a purpose. As Christians, we know that in order to have our needs met, we must seek the kingdom first. How can we seek the kingdom first? By sowing and reaping. That is the higher way. The Word says that the birds do not sow and reap, nor do the lilies of the field toil or spin, but our Father in heaven provides for them. How much more will He take care of us because we have the revelation of sowing and reaping? We live to sow and sow to live. We must sow for our provision. The motive of sowing is always love, but we must expect a harvest in return. Even God expected a harvest in return when He gave Jesus.

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- A. There is a Certain Way That We, as Children of God, are to do Things
 - a. The heathen have a way of living, a way of accomplishing things to have their needs met.
 - b. By being born again, we have a different way of living. We have a different method and a different way of accomplishing things and having our needs met.
 - c. Matthew 6:1
 - i. The world has a certain way of reacting to things. It's an eye for an eye. Fight to get what you want or deserve.
 - ii. We as Christians have a different way of reacting to things. The Word tells us to love our enemies.
 - iii. Be careful how you do things. Don't give so everyone sees. When you pray don't do it so every hears. When you fast don't do it so everyone sees. His way is not the world's way.
 - d. Matthew 6 speak about money, sowing and reaping and prayer. We are to get things from God in a different way and at a different level. Everything you are doing, you are doing for a purpose. When we give of our alms, there is a purpose.
 - B. Sowing & Reaping, A Higher Way - Matthew 6:25
 - a. The birds do not sow, nor do they gather into barns meaning they don't worry about their needs for tomorrow. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them and takes care of their

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- needs. Are we not much better than they? How much more are we more valuable to God than them?
- b. The lilies of the field don't toil nor do they spin. Yet the word says that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed as one of the lilies. How can that be?
 - c. What is God saying? You, not like the gentiles, not like the sparrow, not like the lily. They don't know how to sow and reap. If you want your needs met what do you need to seek? The kingdom!
 - d. What is the kingdom? It is likened to a sower sowing seed into the ground and producing a harvest.
 - e. Is God saying that you don't need to sow and reap because the sparrow doesn't sow and reap and God takes care of them so how much more will He take care of us? No. He is saying, how much more will He take care of you because you have the revelation of sowing and reaping.
 - f. Quote – *"I Sow to Live and I Live to Sow"*
 - g. Do we sow for our provision? Yes.
 - i. He gives seed to the sower and bread to the eater and multiplies the seed sown. That is how He has set about His kingdom for us.
 - ii. He has given us you more ability, more courage, more knowledge.
 - iii. The bird cannot make its way prosperous. He doesn't know how to sow and reap.
 - iv. We seek after the kingdom, which is sowing and reaping.
 - h. How is the kingdom of God likened? Like a sower sowing seed into the ground and producing a harvest.
 - i. When we do give, what is our motive? We are sowing because of the kingdom. We are sowing because of the kingdom. The Word says that whatsoever a man sows, that is what he is going to reap. It also says that as long as the earth remains, there's seed time and there's harvest.
 - j. By giving to Pastors Sherwyn & Amanda, we have sought the kingdom. It's spiritual seed. We need to expect a harvest. Pastor Sherwyn would never take our gift if we didn't get anything from it. Even Jesus operates that way. Even God expected that. God gave His Son so that He could reap sons and daughters. The motive is always love. But you cannot give without expecting a harvest.
 - k. The Word says, "If I give, I'm going to receive. My provision is coming out of this seed I'm sowing." Can you ever sow without the expectation of provision? We've sown into Pastors Sherwyn & Amanda because we love them and because we need our provisions need to be manifest.

Scripture References:

- Matthew 5:43-45
- Matthew 6:1-7
- Matthew 6:16-17
- Matthew 6:24-33