



The LAW of

THE HARVEST

The Law of Delay

Introduction:

The Law of the Harvest implies a partnership with God. Until the seed is in the soil, we bear the burden of responsibility, because our choices in sowing will determine our destiny. Once we have sown, God bears the responsibility, because only His power can bring the increase.

Text: 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.

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Text: Matthew 13:24-30

Jesus told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.

But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away.

When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

“The owner’s servants came to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?’

“An enemy did this,’ he replied.

“The servants asked him, ‘Do you want us to go and pull them up?’

“No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them.

Let both grow together until the harvest.

**At that time I will tell the harvesters:
First collect the weeds and tie them in
bundles to be burned; then gather
the wheat and bring it into my barn.”**

Matthew 13:24-30

The seed that God asks us to sow for
Him is the **LIVING WORD**
OF GOD.

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The **LIVING WORD OF GOD**

consists of:

The **BIBLE**.

What we communicate about God through
our **WORDS**.

What we communicate about God through
our **LIVES**.

The **BLUEPRINT** of life and growth is
in the seed of the

LIVING WORD OF GOD,

but that seed can't grow until it is in the

SOIL — we must get the seed out of the

BAG and into the **GROUND!**

While the seed is still in our hands we have
the **FREEDOM** to
CHANGE our minds, but also the
TEMPTATION to **CLING** to
the seed.

Once the seed is in the soil, its destiny is no longer under our **CONTROL** and we can't be **CERTAIN** what is going to happen to it.

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Our certainty comes through knowing that:

The growth of the seed is **SURE**, even though we can't **SEE** it.

God is **WORKING** and

MIRACLES are taking place, even

when God seems to be **SILENT**.

Our certainty comes through knowing that:

Our **PATIENCE** is being tested,

because those who must have their

GRATIFICATION immediately

will not sow seeds of faith.

Our certainty comes through knowing that:

Our **FAITH** will be tested by **TIME**,
TRIALS, and **TEMPTATIONS**.

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Our certainty comes through knowing that:

Some people will lose all **HOPE** and

ABANDON their harvest, while

other people will build **BARNs** to

receive the increase!

Conclusion:

We have to wait to get our reward.

This natural delay tests our faith!



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