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Galatians 6:7-10

It can be sobering to think about life as a field of our own planting, and what's in our field is determined by the type of seed we have chosen to sow. What if we selected the wrong "seed" but don't realize it until years later, when we're standing in a field filled with mature "plants" that are causing us pain and difficulty?

In this agricultural analogy of sowing and reaping, there are only two types of seeds—those that originate from our sinful desires and those that originate from the Spirit. The first kind of seed produces sin and corrupts our character, but the second kind produces Christlike qualities associated with eternal life.

Sowing and reaping is a principle we cannot change; it's a reality of how our world works. The attitudes and actions we sow now will produce more of the same later, so what will we choose to plant? If we let sinful qualities take root, they will in time characterize our whole life (Gal. 5:19-21). The good news is that we can always change seeds. If we want a life that others see as a godly harvest, then we must plant the Spirit's seeds and lean on Him to cultivate His fruit (Gal. 5:22-23).

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