Whatever a Man Sows

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INTRODUCTION

- We like things to work all the same way all the time.
- When things that are supposed to be consistent aren't consistent, that we just kind of become irrational people.

1 Everything Reproduces According to Its Kind

Genesis 1:11–12; Genesis 1:20–25

- God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind.
- When God created something, he created it so that when it reproduces, it reproduces the same thing.
- It's a principle that's going to come into play in regards to our lives spiritually.

2 Don't Bite and Devour One Another

Galatians 6:1–2

- But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you consume one another.
- You need to be careful that you don't tear one another apart because of your differences.
- What you do today makes a difference in the lives of other people, and it makes a difference in your future spiritually.

3 Do Not Be Deceived

Galatians 6:3; James 1:22–25

- In this context, I think he's addressing self-deception.
- The Bible's here so we have an understanding of God's will, and we conform to it.
- It is easy to choose the things that we think make us faithful. And to sometimes kind of dismiss the things that we don't do as well.
- You need to be consistent and you need to be complete, and you need to make sure that you are looking in the mirror of God's word.

4 God Is Not Mocked

1 Samuel 16:6–13

- God's not going to be dismissed as insignificant. He's not going to allow you to treat him like he is unworthy of your attention.
- God doesn't look on the outside. God looks at the heart.
- When we know God's looking at the heart, and we know our heart is not where it ought to be, and yet we think of ourselves as we're okay with God, we are mocking God and deceiving ourselves.

- I'm better than I used to be. And that's the process. But we can't just ignore it.

5 Sowing to the Flesh Reaps Corruption

Galatians 6:8; Luke 14:16–24; Mark 9:43–48

- If all you do in your life is give yourself to what you want, to your fleshly desires, your fleshly inclinations.
- It's our job to quit sinning, folks. That's what repentance is about.
- We spend a whole lot of time thinking about stuff that have absolutely no spiritual end to them.
- How many of us give more attention to our kids' ball than we give attention to our kids' soul?
- Those who are condemned will be in an eternally corrupting body.

6 He Who Sows to the Spirit Reaps Everlasting Life

Galatians 6:8–10; Philippians 3:21

- Are you giving your life to things that have eternal value to them?
- We're a lot more concerned with the souls of our children than we are the academic careers of our children.
- This resurrected, glorified body that never fades, that never corrupts, that never loses its luster.
- And let us not grow weary while doing good. In due season, we will reap if we do not lose heart.
- Christianity is not just measured by what we believe.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **And if you think that you can get by and be okay with God without doing that, you're deceiving yourself. Because God's not gonna be mocked. Because whatever we sow, we're gonna reap.**

MY NOTES