



Sermon Outline
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The Law of the Harvest

Galatians 6:7-10

Our interactions with others can be improved and enhanced by some specific principles:

Rule #1 - The Golden Rule: *Decide how you want to be treated and begin treating others that way.*

Rule #2 - The Law of the _____:

You _____ what you _____.

In other words - _____ matters.

Luke 6:37-38 - Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

Sowing requires _____.

Important corollaries:

- * You may reap what _____ sow.
- * You typically reap _____ than you sow.
- * You generally reap _____ than you sow.

Observations:

1) It's impossible to _____ this rule.

Galatians 6:7 - Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.

2) Just because you plant good seed doesn't mean you won't experience any _____.

Luke 6:28 – Bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.

3) If you want to know what kind of seed you've been sowing, take a good look at what kind of _____ you've been getting.

Luke 6:38b - For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

Two important questions:

1) What have you been sowing?

2) Are you _____ with what you have been reaping?

- *You can't do anything about the past harvest, but you can do something about the harvest coming up.*
- *You can change your future by the way you manage your present.*

A law of the harvest interactional experiment:

Sow a _____. *Try this little experiment. Put this principle to the test in a very simple way. In your encounters with people this coming week, when you catch someone's eye – simply smile at them and see what kind of response you get.*

Potential reaping benefit: *The world could soon begin to feel like a _____ place.*