

Series: #2

“Your Vineyard is not to be Inward”

“The Blessing of Harvest” - Series

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Genesis 8:22

“While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease”

Prayer:

Lord of the Harvest we come to you this morning and thank you for your faithfulness.

We thank you for the season of Harvest.

Lord we thank you for the blessing of Harvest.

We celebrate this covenant time of year and we take authority over the enemy of our soul who strives to take our focus away from the appointed times you have for you children.

This earth has a covenant promise from you SEED TIME AND HARVEST Shall Not Cease!

Today we proclaim this to be Scripture and it is Truth – The principles of Harvest are set in place on this earth and we truly step into this years Harvest Season with Thanksgiving on our Hearts and Praise on our Lips!

*** Say this with me *“The fullness of my Field is always Revealed”***

*** Last week we began a new series titled “The Blessing of Harvest”**

*** And taken from Exodus 23 – we came to understand the times of feast that were to be observed by Gods people.**

Exodus 23: 14

“Three times you shall keep a feast **to ME** in the year”

Three Times you shall feast

Feast: The term feasts in Hebrew literally means "appointed times"

[There are times – appointed times of Harvest according the Gods Word]

2.

1. Feast of the Unleavened Bread

* On that Passover the sinless unleavened - *Jesus* the '*Bread of Heaven*' was revealed as that long awaited perfect sacrifice for sin

* We need to daily keep the Leaven out of our lives

2. Feast of the Harvest [Feast of Pentecost]

* **Celebrated the early Harvest** / Symbolizes Jesus giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit that inaugurated the New Covenant and Church Age

* We need to constantly realize how important Pentecost is to the Church

3. Feast of Ingathering [Feast of Tabernacles]

* Represents the Final Harvest when all nations will share in the joy and blessings of God's Kingdom. During that time, all believers will celebrate this feast!

* They celebrated the Ingathering of the Harvest and It all pointed to the Blessings and Provision of God!

* Actually there is much more to these Feast but that is for another time

* Simply Harvest Time is a very important time for Gods Children

* The Season of Harvest is to be celebrated not with pumpkins, goblins and witches, black cats, trick or treat and curses no that is the enemy trying to take our focus away from "*appointed times*"

My Time for Gods favor

My Time to be Blessed!

"The Fullness of your field is always revealed"

Now today we will look at the second part of this series:

"Your vineyard is not to be inward"

[Hosea 14:8](#)

"From Me is thy fruit found"

3.

In [Hosea 14: 1](#) we find that Israel was in a backslidden state and the Lord was going to restore Her.

In [Hosea 14: 5-8](#)

The Prophet Hosea uses a series of examples from nature to show how God will restore His people with:

1. Fruitfulness [Lilly]
2. Stability [Roots like the cedars of Lebanon]
3. Beauty [Olive Tree]
4. Fragrance [Wine]
5. Cypress Tree - [Evergreen God Himself promises to be an evergreen place of shelter]

From the Lord is thy fruit found

- * From the Lord we receive Grace and Strength to enable us to minister
- * Whatever Fruit [Harvest] we bring forth – all praise comes to Him!

Harvest is about bounty

Harvest is about the Lord

Harvest is all about praise and worship

Harvest is all about witness

“Your vineyard is not to be inward”

- * The [Napa Valley](#) is known around the world for Her vineyards
- * The [Napa Valleys](#) soil is rich and fertile, just ready to be planted
- * In those vineyards are rows of vines that a lot of thought and action has went into
- * A fruitful productive vineyard is a thing of beauty

But here's the thing about vineyards: they don't just happen by themselves.

- * Vineyards don't just spring up by accident
- * Someone is behind them
- * You see planting must take place before a harvest can come in.