

“ Growing Weary In Well Doing”

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Introduction: I want to speak on a much needed subject today,” Growing Weary In Well Doing.” You see, God knew the potential of growing weary in well doing. If any body in the Bible knew about growing weary from well doing, it was the apostle Paul. This man served God about as much on the inside of a jail cell, as the outside of a jail cell.

I want to break this subject down into four major divisions.

1. **The Fact Of Growing Weary In Well Doing**
2. **The Fainting From Growing Weary In Well Doing**
3. **The Foe For Growing Weary In Well Doing**
4. **The Forbidding Of Growing Weary In Well Doing**

First, let us notice:

I. The Fact Of Growing Weary In Well Doing

V.9 – *And let us not grow weary of well doing -*

Now, Paul is not saying, growing weary in **BAD DOING**, he says, “well doing.” Yes, you will grow weary in well doing, because after a while sin will take a toll on a person’s life.

Paul says, growing weary in “well doing.” It can happen in the best Christian worker in the church. A lot of good Christians has grown weary in well doing and has slowed down, or stop serving God.

Active Christian service is *tiring, exhaustive work*. Fighting the Devil is tiring.

I have been a pastor a long time and I have seen this happen. In fact, I will tell you the truth, there have been times in mine own ministry that I have grown weary in well doing.

II. The Fainting From Growing Weary In Well Doing

V.9 – *And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.*

The word “*faint*” speaks of literally giving up, or stopping. What happens when a person faints physically, they stop, they are out.

Now, the “*fainting*” that comes about here is not from sickness, **but being exhausted spiritually**. It is talking about *spiritual fatigue*, *exhaustion*, or *low spiritual energy*. One has run out of spiritual energy, and has fainted.

Now, the problem that we have in the average Baptist church is, there are more people that has fainted, than those who have not and are going wide open doing what they can for God.

The Fact Of Growing Weary In Well Doing
The Fainting From Growing Weary In Well Doing

III. The Foe For Growing Weary In Well Doing

There is “NO BODY” that wants to have a Christian **grow weary in well doing more than Satan**. He knows that he can’t get a Christians soul, so the next best thing is to cause a Christian to grow weary in well doing.

Satan is not dumb; he is smart and cunning. There are many ways that Satan will use, but I just want to mention **four**.

A. Satan Works Through Progress

Sometimes we don’t see the “*progress*” that we think that we ought to see. **Satan wants you to view “success” by what you see.**

The main thing that we need to understand is, that God has called us to be faithful in His work, and if we have *been faithful*, then *we have been successful* whether you see it *numerical* or not.

If you are doing your best and being faithful in doing the work of God, let God be the judge of your success.

1 Corinthian 4: 5 –*Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the heart: and then shall every man have praise of God.*

Our Lord knows what we do and records what we do, and one day it will all be brought to light and be manifested.

One can grow weary in well doing sometimes, if we don't see the *numerical result* in the Sunday school class, with working with the youth, senior citizens, or Pastoring a church or anything else in the work of God.

If you are faithful in doing all you can in the work of God, you are successful, whether you see it in numerical numbers or not. Don't listen to Satan!

Satan Works Through Progress

B. Satan Works Through People

V.7 – *Ye did run well; who did hinder you-?*

A lot of good Christians get discouraged by *disgruntle, carnal Christians*, that do not want to do any thing their selves, but they want to *criticize* those who do, and when the good working Christian finds out, it discourages them.

In fact, sometimes, it even stops them.

Before a Christian quits because of a *disgruntle, carnal, lazy Christian*, they need to remember that is what Satan wants, that is the reason that he works through these carnal, disgruntle Christians. Satan wants you to quit.

Satan does not want the work of God to be successful, so he works through these carnal Christians.

What a good working Christian needs to understand is, they are letting the Devil succeed.

I don't know about you, but I don't want to allow the Devil to defeat me in anything or through any body.

C. Satan Works Through Pressure

Galatians 6:2 – *Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.*

The word "*bear*" means to lift up, why, because this Christian is *overloaded* and has *pressure upon their lives*.

When a Christian is under a lot of *pressure* or *stress*, it is easy to faint and quit, or slow down because they can grow weary in well doing.

Satan knows when we are *stressed out*, that is when he wants to work on our minds and try to discourage us and defeat us, to the point that we don't feel like going on.

When we are under a lot of stress and burdens, *this works on our mind and thinking*, and this is when Satan wants to attack our minds.

Satan attacked Jesus after his wilderness experience. He wasn't successful, but he tried to keep Him away from the cross.

Well, Satan didn't cause Jesus to quit, and I encourage you to not let Satan cause you to faint and quit because you have grown weary in well doing because you are stressed out.

Satan Works Through Progress
Satan Works Through People
Satan Works Through Pressure

D. Satan Works Through Patience----wants us to be impatient

V.9 – *And let us not to be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.*

V.8 – *For he that **soweth** to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that **soweth** to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.*

We find the word “*reap*” in **verse nine** and in **verse eight**. We also find the word “*soweth*” twice in **verse eight**.

Sowing and reaping is an agriculture term. Farmers know all about this term. This is what they do, they sow seed, and then they reap at harvest time.

V.9 – *And let us not be weary in well doing,: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint to.*

The term, “**IN DUE SEASON**” is important.

Satan wants us to be “**IMPATIENT**” in spiritual sowing and reaping in the work of God.

In due season, could be translated in God’s season. We plant, but God gives the increase in His season.

Satan wants us to get impatient after we *sow* and *sow* and *sow* and *sow*, and don’t see the result that we think that we should see.

Satan wants us to **grow weary in well doing** when we don’t see immediate results. **He works on our mind and he will tell you** that you are wasting your time, so you need to quit. Etc.

I want to remind you of something about Satan, God’s word says he is a liar in **John 8:44**. Listen- Last phrase- *-for he is a liar, and the father of it*.

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IV. The Forbidding Of Growing Weary In Well Doing

A. The Person Who Is Speaking

V.7 – *And let us not be weary in well doing-*

Question? Who is telling us not to be weary in well doing?

Well, one might say Paul. Well, Paul did write this letter, **but God told him what to write**.

Now, there are only two voices that will be talking to us. One is Satan, and the other is God. Now, there is a way to detect the voice of Satan from the voice of God. Any time you get discouraged and grow weary in well doing, it is Satan that causes you to have those discouraged feelings.

The Lord is an **encourager**, not a **discourager**! Always remember that and it will help you, if you are feeling discouraged.

B. The Purpose That Is Shown

If we don’t quit there will be a reaping day!

1. WE Will Reap In This Present World

V.9 – *And let us not be weary in well doing: for (purpose) in due season (God's season) we shall reap, if we faint not.*

Did you notice the words "SHALL REAP"? **This is a promise from God.** You can mark it down; God always keeps His promise.

Satan is a liar, but God is truth.

In this PRESENT WORLD, you will see fruit that comes from your sowing the **word** of **God** if you will just be patient. **Psalms 126:6** – *He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.*

Sunday school teacher, just keep being faithful, because you are teaching and building up and edifying those believers in your class, which is an important task of a teacher.

If you sing, don't get discouraged, because you are encouraging those people that listen from that message that is in those songs.

What ever you do, your labor is not in vain. **1 Corinthian 15:58** – *Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of lord forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*

2. We Will Reap In The Prospective World

Christian friend, you will not only reap in this walk of life, but in the life to come. God will be faithful to reward those that don't get discouraged and quit.

I heard an illustration from a preacher on the radio the other day. He was illustrating what we do for self on *earth* that is *temporal*, and what we do for **God** that is *eternal*. He compared what we do for self as a **dot**, and he compared what we do for God

with a *straight line* that went out from that *dot* that just kept going which he illustrated as being eternity.

He then said, do you want to work for that little **DOT**, that is **temporal**, or work that for that **straight line**, which will last forever.

Well, I don't know about you, but I want to work *for that straight line* which will last *forever*. I want to work for God and something that will last. Praise the Lord!!!

The Person Who Is Speaking
The Purpose That Is Shown

C. The Principle That Is Significant

In closing, I want to talk about an important principle about sowing and working for God.

2 Corinthians 9:6 – *He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.*

Question? How much do you want to reap in this life and the life to come? Well, the outcome is up to you, the more you sow to the spiritual life, the more you will reap.

Conclusion:

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IV. The Forbidding Of Growing Weary In Well Doing

A. The Person Who Is Speaking

B. The Purpose That Is Shown----will reap

C. The Principle That Is Significant---more sowing, more reaping

