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Job 4:8, “*Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.*”

We are over half way through May and summer type weather has farmers working the fields. Most crops have been planted or are about to be planted.

In Biblical times sowing was the same as it is today. Although they had more basic implements, they knew and understood the law of sowing and reaping. What you put into the ground is what you harvest later, and you will always harvest more than you planted.

Job said he had seen those who plow iniquity and sow wickedness reap the same. If we do sinful things, we will reap the results. We can also sow things that are not seen as overtly sinful. We can be slack in our attendance, put pleasure before the LORD, hold back on our giving, and we will reap the same.

I’ve heard people say that in their younger days they didn’t attend much or serve the LORD, and now their children or grandchildren had no interest in serving the LORD. What we sow does come back

in harvest, and the harvest is always more abundant.

People can also live sinful lives and suffer the results. It might be diminished health, loss of property, or any number of things. We will always reap what we sow, and it will always be more.

We do not expect the law of sowing and reaping of crops to be changed. We depend upon it to always produce what we sow and produce more. People often think this doesn’t apply in spiritual matters.

Paul wrote in Galatians 6:7, “*Be not deceived; God is not mocked : for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.*”

—Marty Edwards❖

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Acts 4:13, “*Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.*”

When Peter and John were preaching in the early days of the church, they were considered unlearned and ignorant. They were considered so because they were not educated in the way these other men considered education.

What they did note about Peter and John, was they had been with Jesus. What was there about Peter and John that made the people perceive they had been with Jesus?

In those days they could see the miracles being done, but there was more. They could see by the lives Peter and John lived and the words they spoke. They could see by the way they were.

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News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry.**

—Congratulations on the birth of **Rutilla Kinsley Kline** who was born May 16 at 9:31 am. She weighed 6lbs 7.5oz and was 19" long. The parents are **Chris Duncan and Nicole Kline.**

—Congratulations to **Andrew Crabtree and Abby Edwards** who graduated from Hart County High School this past Friday night. Abby was valedictorian of the graduating class.

—Congratulations to **Ruby Edwards** who is retiring after 34 years of teaching. Her last two official days are Monday and Tuesday of this week, with her retirement taking effect June 1.

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It doesn't take very long talking with and observing a person to begin to pick up on the type of person someone is. You can tell quickly if they are worldly, materialistic, high-minded, or any number of things by being around them. You can also perceive if they are spiritual and Biblically minded.

What would people pick up and perceive about us after being with us a few minutes? What type of image do we put forth? I hope that each one of us would quickly be perceived as having been around Jesus. Not physically with Jesus, but with His Word and teachings. The more we are "with" Jesus, the more we become like Him.

One image given in the Bible of how we are like Jesus is we have an aroma like Christ. Paul wrote in II Corinthians 2:15, "*For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ. . .*" In a sense, we "smell" like Christ. How could you smell like anyone? If you are around someone regularly and live in the same house, you certainly would begin to pick up the same smells due to laundry, aromas in the house, perfumes, etc. When we are close to Christ all the time, and live with Him we become unto God a sweet savour, or aroma, of Christ. *continued on next page...*

Sunday, May 14, 2017		
Classes	17	Colossians 2:20-3:4
Preaching	19	Judges 5:7
Contribution	\$576.00	
Evening	20	Revelation 8:1-13
Wednesday, May 17, 2017		
Classes	20	Hosea 3:1-4:19

Bible Quiz

What was given to the seven angels which stood before God?

Last Week's Answer— The vine and fig trees (Hosea 2:10)

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Let's live so close to Christ that we not only are perceived to have been with Him, but we take on His aroma or sweet savour. The more we are with Jesus, the more we become like Him. We can be with Him in worship, study, prayer and doing anything that brings us closer to Him.

—Marty Edwards❖

—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)