

Sowing in Famine

Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him. **—Genesis 26:12**

Genesis tells us of a drought that came on the land, leaving nothing but parched and dusty ground. The famine it caused was so severe, Isaac and his family were ready to flee to Egypt. But the Lord had another plan and appeared to Isaac, saying, “Dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of” (Genesis 26:2).

Isaac obeyed, tilling the soil and planting his meager seed. God blessed his obedience and faithfulness with a harvest that continued until he became extremely wealthy.

“He that observes the wind shall not sow; and he that regards the clouds shall not reap” (Ecclesiastes 11:4). Those who dwell on the wind instead of the Word clutch their seed, afraid to sow. Your situation may seem hopeless, but you serve a God who created man from the dust of the ground! Trust in Him with all your might. Sow in your famine and reap a king’s reward.

When we face lack, we are tempted to eat our seed instead of sowing it. But without sowing, there will be no harvest. Continue to sow in times of lack so that the future will have a harvest instead of continuing famine and dry season.

**Lord, give me the courage to sow even in difficult times.
Help me to trust You for the future harvest. Amen.**