Victory Connect Lesson God Will Use It All Pastor Paul Daugherty November 17, 2024

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- **1.** Sow the good seed of the word of God. Mat 13:24 NIV Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. Pro 13:2a NLT Wise words will win you a good meal...
- **2.** Harvest takes time, it is a process. Mat 13:25 NIV But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.
- **3.** Remember, it is the enemy who sows the bad seeds. Mat 13:28a NIV " 'An enemy did this,' he replied." 1Jo 4:4 NLT But you belong to God...the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world.
- **4. God's grace is sufficient for our growth.** 2Co 12:9a KJV And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. 2Pe 3:18a KJV But grow in grace, and [in] the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
- **5.** Celebrate the wheat in faith even when looking at the weeds. Jospeh named his firstborn son, "God caused me to forget" (the hardship). Gen 41:51 NIV Joseph named his firstborn Manasseh and said, "It is because God has made me forget all my trouble..."
- **6.** We overcome through His blood and our words. Rev 12:11 ESV And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Are you sowing good word-seeds into your future?
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