SEED FOR THE FUTURE

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- **God's promise in times of despair.**

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Galatians 6:7-8
7...A man reaps what he sows. 8 The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

- **Our total dependence upon God to send the rain of His Spirit.**

Hosea 6:1-2
1 "Come, let us return to the LORD...2 After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. 3 Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth."

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