

## Sowing the future together: Bible verses

### Sowing:

Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognised by its fruit.

*Matthew 12:33*

No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thorn bushes, or grapes from briars. A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

*Luke 6:44-45*

*Matthew 7:15-20*

The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.

*Matthew 13:31-32*

I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.

*John 15:5*

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life,  
and the one who is wise saves lives.

*Proverbs 11:30*

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

*2 Corinthians 9:6*

Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

*Colossians 2:6-7*

### The Future:

Consider the blameless, observe the upright;  
a future awaits those who seek peace.

*Psalms 37:37*

Always be zealous for the fear of the Lord.  
There is surely a future hope for you,  
and your hope will not be cut off.

*Proverbs 23:17-18*

For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

*Jeremiah 29:11*

Future generations will hear about the wonders of the Lord.

His righteous acts will be told to those not yet born.

They will hear about everything he has done.

*Psalms 22:30-31*

We will tell the next generation

the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,

his power, and the wonders he has done.

*Psalms 78:4*

Write these things for the future

so that people who are not yet born will praise the Lord.

The Lord looked down from his holy place above;

from heaven he looked down at the earth.

He heard the moans of the prisoners,

and he freed those sentenced to die.

*Psalms 102:18-20*

One generation will commend your works to another;

they will tell of your mighty acts.

*Psalms 145:4*

From one generation to another

he shows mercy to those who honour him.

*Luke 1:50*

## **Together:**

Two are better than one,

because they have a good return for their labour.

*Ecclesiastes 4:9*

In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

*Philippians 1:3-5*

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

*Galatians 6:9*

Dear brothers and sisters, we can't help but thank God for you, because your faith is flourishing and your love for one another is growing.

*2 Thessalonians 1:3*

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works.

*Hebrews 10:24*

The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labour. For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.

*1 Corinthians 3:8-9*

### **With God:**

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

*Hebrews 13:8*

The plans of the Lord stand firm forever,  
the purposes of his heart through all generations.

*Psalms 33:11*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning.

*Lamentations 3:22-23*

See, I am doing a new thing!  
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?  
I am making a way in the wilderness  
and streams in the wasteland.

*Isaiah 43:19*

Do you not know?  
Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.  
He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak.  
Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;  
but those who hope in the Lord  
will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.

*Isaiah 40:28-31*