

When the Seed Dies

NKJ John 12:24

"Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain.

This passage is interesting because of the deep meaning behind it.

I.- The message regarding the process of the fruit.

- a) The Wheat vine produces a special grain used to produce bread.
Bread is mentioned all along the scripture because it was a primary food at that time.
With five pieces of bread, Jesus fed more than 500 people.
The word of Jesus Christ was represented with bread.
- b) Before it becomes bread, it is a grain,
Grain is basically a seed that can be planted to produce more.
A grain is the small edible fruit of the plant, usually hard on the outside and is harvested from grassy crops.
A Seed is defined as an embryonic plant covered in a seed coat and is formed from the ripened ovule of plants after fertilization.
- c) Every seed and grain need to be placed in the ground, watered and receive heat from the sun to produce, but if it doesn't die, nothing happens

The other part of the passage is a spiritual message and starts in verse 23.

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But Jesus answered them, saying, "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified.

II.- Jesus has been glorified in His death and resurrection from death.

a) He is the Seed in Genesis 3:15

*And I will put enmity Between you and the woman,
And between your seed and her Seed;
He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.*

b) The seed in Genesis 22:8

And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together.

and Galatians 3:16

Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but

as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ.

c) Seed = children = offspring.

The Seed is the Son of GOD, descendant of Abraham who blesses all nations. It was necessary for the Seed, who is Jesus, to die to produce the fruit of eternal life in His resurrection.

NKJ 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,

4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,

Jesus was announcing his death, and was glorified at the right hand of GOD.

We need to die with our sins, be buried in the waters and experience the first resurrection with Christ and produce fruit for the Lord, waiting for the day to be taken to heaven.

Romans 6:4

Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Matthew 13:1-9, The Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13:18-23, The Parable of the Sower Explained

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