

The Fruitful Season

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Autumn is the season of harvest. The farmer planted his Seed, carefully tending and watering it; but as the shoots are developing, he cannot control them directly, no matter how much he cares and worries over them. Only when the fruit is harvested can the farmer take direct dominion over the result of his labor. Then he can rest, offer thanksgiving, use his fruit to bring joy to his family and God, and preserve the good seed for new plantings to come.

Likewise our Leader, on his third world tour, planted seeds of love, wisdom, and inspiration all over the world. Now he is returning a fourth time to reap the fruit of his hard work and loving care.

What fruits can he expect to reap? Whether it will be a bountiful harvest or not depends upon us Family members.

Human spirits don't grow automatically, but require conscious, creative will and effort on each person's part. Our Heavenly Father can only take direct dominion over our hearts when we offer our lives to Him voluntarily, as the fruits of goodness.

Then Our Father can plant us as seeds of goodness over the whole world.