Sowing and reaping is a figure that is used a considerable number of times in the Bible. It often connects == has an idea similar to this in Gal. 6. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, or as KJV "he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, but he that sows to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting. This relates to one's character, to one's development, to his attitude. The same picture is such in quite a different way in John 4:34-36, where Jesus said, "I say unto you, Life up your eyes and look unto the fields for they are white already to hazvest and he that ==even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal eternal life. So that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. Here is it is referring not to a man's character but to the work that he accomplishes.

Someone once asked, When a man is saved, Why does not God take him right to heaven? Why does He leave him here on this earth?" There are two reasons I believe why He does so and both of them are related to sowing as used in these two passages. God can accomplish whatever He chooses in any way he chooses. He has chosen to use human beings as His instruments for developing His harvest field. The fields are white unto harvest. They need messengers to tell them of the glory of Christ. These included who will present them the word of salvation and show them how to grow in grace. He needs those who will sow in order to bribe form the harvest at that Jesus describes. Our work is important.

There is, however, another reason why God leaves people on this earth instead of taking them right to heaven. That is brought out particularly in this chapter in Galatians. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful functure from that nature will reap destruction. The one who sows to please the spirit from the spirit will reap eternal life." These two aspects of was life are vital in connection with the seminary work. The reason why they are is because the information of what is meant by eternal life, information on the work that God wants us to do is all contained in the Bible. We believe in

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