

For Everything a Season

"For everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heavens..."

SPRING



- For the farmer, a season of **PLANTING**
- For the disciple, a season of **HOPE**
- Time of rebirth, renewal, and resurrection
- Daylight increases // Hope rises



SUMMER



- For the farmer, a season of **TENDING**
- For the disciple, a season of **FULFILLMENT**
- Time of fruitfulness and thriving
- Greatest daylight of the year // Hope is actualized



FALL



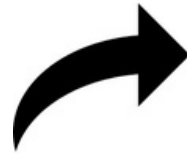
- For the farmer, a season of **HARVESTING**
- For the disciple, a season of **RESPONSIBILITY** (thanksgiving &/or regret)
- Time of reaping what was sown in other seasons (good &/or bad)
- Daylight decreases // Hope fades



WINTER



- For the farmer, a season of **REST**
- For the disciple, a season of **TRUST**
- Time of harsh exteriors resulting in death or dormant life (i.e. trees, plants, seeds)
- *dormant (adj):* in a state of rest; alive but temporarily inactive
- Greatest darkness of the year // Hope dies



Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

There is a time for everything,
 and a season for every activity under the heavens:
 a time to be born and a time to die,
 a time to plant and a time to uproot,
 a time to kill and a time to heal,
 a time to tear down and a time to build,
 a time to weep and a time to laugh,
 a time to mourn and a time to dance,
 a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
 a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,
 a time to search and a time to give up,
 a time to keep and a time to throw away,
 a time to tear and a time to mend,
 a time to be silent and a time to speak,
 a time to love and a time to hate,
 a time for war and a time for peace.

Keys to Making the Most of Every Season:

- Understand seasons are a normal part of life
- Believe no season lasts forever
- Don't stay stuck in a season
- Don't let a season define who you are
- Realize God is at work in every season
- Acknowledge the season you're in & learn from it
- Embrace the proper season to avoid discouragement
- Realize some seasons last longer than others, but are necessary to equip you for what lies ahead
- Prepare for the next season while waiting
- Don't try to force your way into or out of a season. New seasons are directed by God - not us.
- Trust God to communicate His timing