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John 6:44

No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.

Rom 6:5-7

5 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection,

6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that **we should no longer be slaves of sin.**

7 **For he who has died has been freed from sin.**

Matt 13:27-28

"So the servants of the owner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field?'

How then does it have tares?'

"He said to them, 'An enemy has done this...'



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How Does God Give Growth?

1 Cor 3:6-7

6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase.

7 So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase.

Mark 4:26-28

26 He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground.

27 Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, **though he does not know how.**

28 **All by itself** the soil produces grain-- first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head.

- Church growth is like an organism
- Organisms multiply growth
- Growth takes place all by itself
- Growth is produced by healthy organisms
- Growth produces more organisms

All we have to do is plant and water.
The rest takes care of itself!



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Does God Want Growth Now?

Matt 9:37-38

37 Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
38 "Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

John 4:35


Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, **lift up your eyes and look at the fields**, for they are already white for harvest!

Matt 28:19-20

19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
20 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, **even to the end of the age.**" Amen.

John 1:35-39

35 Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples.
36 And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!"
37 The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.
38 Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?"
39 He said to them, "Come and see."



Look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.
- John 4:35

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How Does God Give Growth?

- God's people relate to others
- Spiritual information is passed
- God opens their minds to understand it
- They commit to follow God
- God chooses them to be a part of his Church.
