

Verse of the Month Devotional

September

*To everything there is a season,
A time for every purpose under heaven.
Ecclesiastes 3:1*

Thoughts on the verse:

There is something so comforting about the fact that seasons *WILL* change. We may love the season that we are in, or we may feel like we cannot wait for it to be over, but the promise is that *EVERY* season will change eventually. God's Word is very specific in all the ways we can expect each season to change: a time to be born, and a time to die, a time to plant, and a time to harvest, a time to kill, and a time to heal, a time to weep, and a time to laugh... the chapter is full of so many ways we go through the hills and valleys in life. As a matter of fact, it was King Solomon in all his wisdom that gave us the book of Ecclesiastes. He had the understanding that all things must come and go. This may make us sad when we think of the loss or hard times, but God's intention is that we appreciate the goodness all the more... and acknowledge Him in it all, and through it all.

Prayer:

Lord, I **THANK YOU** that You are the God of every season and every change. You are Lord of the Harvest, and the God of all even when it may seem that there is famine all around. And God, as much as we love the times of goodness and plenty, we thank You that You promise to walk with us through it all, even in the valleys of darkness and lack. Thank You Lord that Your promise is that no matter what season we are facing right now, it *WILL* come to an end and there will always be another.

Action:

Take some time to list all the ways you are thankful for the season you are in right now. Good or bad, hard or easy, painful or sweet... write it all out and practice thanking God for all He is doing in this season. Don't be afraid to ask Him to show you *WHY* you may have to go through certain things. You may not hear an answer right away, but don't let it keep You from drawing closer to Him in the hard times.

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