



When it Rains Pull Your Weeds -- Devotional

Hebrews 12:14-15

When God sends down a fresh rain of His presence...

Immediately after a fresh rain (reign) of the Presence of God, the hard ground becomes softer and the weeds in your life are easier to pull. **Do it right then, and they will come right out... root and all.**

If you wait just a-little-while they will definitely bear fruit which means more seeds and more weeds. The ground will harden and you'll have many more problems with which to deal. (Deuteronomy 29:18-19.)

His presence makes you able to pull the problems up and remove them. Thorns will still hurt, so wear your spiritual armor, and place the weeds in the waste and leave them there for the One who takes it away. Don't replant them --*sounds obvious, right?*

Weeds grow and reproduce quickly, so do not wait, do not linger over what to do. Look at the problem. Admit that it isn't supposed to be growing in your garden, that it really is a weed and not an edible plant, nor an ornamental one. Then ask the Master Gardener where you should grab it. **Hint:** close to the ground so that the root will come up, which means you must speak forgiveness over the place/time/people where you first encountered the issue.

Tools summary:

- **protective gear, garden gloves, a hat to shield you, etc.:**
 wear your spiritual armor because the enemy doesn't want you to get rid of your issue nor your pain.
- **something sharp that will dig into the ground:**
 Scripture verses that help you pray God's word over the issue and the pain.
 worship music for praise and warfare.
- **a waste bucket:**
 the foot of the cross where you will leave the issue for God to take eastward if you are west.
- **time and support:**
 some people may be afraid of the consequences and they will attempt to discourage you, so don't quit pulling the weed just because you are tired; some weeds are ready to let go of the soil with just one more sustained tug.

In time, you may find a fresh cup of tea awaiting you. He may have brewed a personal pot of dandelion tea just for you to enjoy sipping while out in your weed-free garden, and afterwards, you can help support someone else who just noticed their weeds in their garden with a song that helped you dig down deep. (Re-read Hebrews 12:11)

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