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Again and again the Lord has instructed that our people are to take their families away from the cities, into the country, where they can raise their own provisions; for in the future the problem of buying and selling will be a very serious one. We should now begin to heed the instruction given us over and over again: Get out of the cities into rural districts, where the houses are not crowded closely together, and where you will be free from the interference of enemies. {AH 141.4}

Proverbs 22

³A prudent [man] foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.



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Genesis 2

⁷And the LORD God formed man [of] the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.



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It All Began with God in Heaven

Ezekiel 28

¹³Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone [was] thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.



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Gen 2

⁸And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

¹⁵And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.



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Genesis 3

⁹And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁰And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.



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Best Occupation Given to Man

The best occupation that our Creator gave to man was to till the land. What a wonderful work for us even today! 'God is a lover of the beautiful. He has given us unmistakable evidence of this in the work of His hands. **He planted for our first parents a beautiful garden in Eden.** Stately trees were caused to grow out of the ground, of every description, for usefulness and ornament. The beautiful flowers were formed, of rare loveliness, of every tint and hue, perfuming the air. . **It was the design of God that man should find happiness in the employment of tending the things He had created, and that his wants should be met with the fruits of the trees of the garden'.** {AH 27.1}



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Genesis 3

¹⁷And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: **cursed [is] the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat [of] it all the days of thy life;** ¹⁸**Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;** ¹⁹In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou [art], and unto dust shalt thou return.



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Great restoration Plan

At the creation, labor was appointed as a blessing. It meant development, power, happiness. The changed condition of the earth through the curse of sin has brought a change in the conditions of labor; yet though now attended with anxiety, weariness, and pain, it is still a source of happiness and development. And it is a safeguard against temptation. Its discipline places a check on self-indulgence, and promotes industry, purity, and firmness. **Thus it becomes a part of God's great plan for our recovery from the Fall.** {Ed 214.1}



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In the study of agriculture, let pupils be given not only theory, but practice. While they learn what science can teach in regard to the nature and preparation of the soil, the value of different crops, and the best methods of production, let them put their knowledge to use. **Let teachers share the work with the students, and show what results can be achieved through skillful, intelligent effort.** Thus may be awakened a genuine interest, an ambition to do the work in the best possible manner. Such an ambition, together with the invigorating effect of exercise, sunshine, and pure air, will create a love for agricultural labor that with many youth will determine their choice of an occupation. Thus might be set on foot influences that would go far in turning the tide of migration which now sets so strongly toward the great cities. {Ed 219.2}



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What are the proper Methods

Many who till the soil fail to secure adequate returns because of their neglect. Their orchards are not properly cared for, the crops are not put in at the right time, and a mere surface work is done in cultivating the soil. Their ill success they charge to the unproductiveness of the land. False witness is often borne in condemning land that, if properly worked, would yield rich returns. (1) The narrow plans, (2) the little strength put forth, (3) the little study as to the best methods, call loudly for reform. {MH 193.3}



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Genetically
Modified
Organisms

Romans 1:22-32



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GMO's

- **2 Year Long Rat Study (The Longest GMO Study Ever Done)**
- Rats fed a type of genetically engineered corn that is prevalent in the US food supply for two years. Study investigated the long-term effects in rats of consumption of two Monsanto products
- a genetically modified (GM) maize and
- Its associated pesticide, Roundup, together and separately.





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“Rats developed massive mammary tumors, kidney and liver damage, and other serious health problems.”

Journal of Food and Chemical Toxicology





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There's No Need for GMO's!

- “Genetically engineered foods have nothing to offer the goals of reducing hunger and poverty, improving nutrition, health and rural livelihoods, and facilitating social and environmental sustainability.”
- International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development ⁽⁶⁾
- **(The most authoritative evaluation of agriculture)**



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Plants absorb glyphosate through direct application and from the soil and **it cannot be washed off** Glyphosate has also been found in rivers, streams, air and rain.

- Genetically engineered corn has been found to contain 13 ppm of glyphosate, compared to zero in non-GMO corn.
- **13 ppm is more than 18 times the "safe" level of glyphosate set by the EPA.**
- Organ damage in animals has occurred at levels as low as **0.1 ppm**. In GE crops



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The Mechanism of Glyphosate

- **The Shikimate pathway**
 - This pathway is absent in all animals which is why Monsanto claims it's harmless to animals and humans
 - However, the Shikimate pathway is present in bacteria
 - Bacteria outnumber your cells 10 to 1: for every cell in your body you have 10 microbes which will respond to glyphosate
- Causes **extreme disruption** of the microbe's function and lifecycle
- Primarily affects *beneficial* bacteria, allowing pathogens to overgrow and take over



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Glyphosate

Health issues linked to Glyphosate exposure:

- Depression
- Autism
- Parkinson's
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Alzheimer's
- Cancer
- Gastrointestinal diseases
- Obesity
- Cardiovascular disease
- Birth defects
- Skeletal and brain malformations
- DNA damage
- Neurotoxicity
- Reproductive toxicity
- Endocrine disruption
- Infertility
- Allergies



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Degenerating Generation

Moses, the first historian, gives quite a definite account of social and individual life in the early days of the world's history, but we find no record that an infant was born blind, deaf, crippled, or imbecile. Not an instance is recorded of a natural death in infancy, childhood, or early manhood. Obituary notices in the book of Genesis run thus: "And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years; and he died." "And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years; and he died." Concerning others the record states, "He died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years." It was so rare for a son to die before his father, that such an occurrence was considered worthy of record: "Haran died before his father Terah." [Genesis 5:5, 8; 25:8; 11:28.] The patriarchs from Adam to Noah, with few exceptions, lived nearly a thousand years. Since then the average length of life has been decreasing. {CTBH 7.3}



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- "Glyphosate is possibly the most important factor in the development of multiple chronic diseases and conditions that have become prevalent in Westernized societies."
"Glyphosate residues enhance the damaging effects of other food-borne chemical residues and toxins in the environment to disrupt normal body functions and induce disease."
Dr. Stephanie Seneff



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New tough bill criminalises use of animal manure

WEDNESDAY MARCH 27 2019



Expenditure Framework as stipulated in the Public Finance Management Act, section 125(2) which requires public participation in all the Financial Matters.

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Need for Christian Farmers

Christian farmers can do real missionary work in helping the poor to find homes on the land and in teaching them how to till the soil and make it productive. Teach them how to use the implements of agriculture, how to cultivate various crops, how to plant and care for orchards. {MH 193.2}



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Let proper methods be taught to all who are willing to learn. If any do not wish you to speak to them of advanced ideas, let the lessons be given silently. **Keep up the culture of your own land.** Drop a word to your neighbors when you can, and let the harvest be eloquent in favor of right methods. **Demonstrate what can be done with the land when properly worked.** {MH 193.4}



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Deuteronomy 28

¹And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe [and] to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: ²And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God. ³Blessed [shalt] thou [be] in the city, and blessed [shalt] thou [be] in the field. ⁴Blessed [shall be] the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. ⁵Blessed [shall be] thy basket and thy store. ⁶Blessed [shalt] thou [be] when thou comest in, and blessed [shalt] thou [be] when thou goest out.



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Things to Consider in Garden Planning



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Water

Genesis 2

¹⁰And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. ¹¹**The name of the first [is] Pison:** that [is] it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where [there is] gold; ¹²And the gold of that land [is] good: there [is] bdellium and the onyx stone. ¹³**And the name of the second river [is] Gihon:** the same [is] it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia. ¹⁴**And the name of the third river [is] Hiddekel:** that [is] it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. **And the fourth river [is] Euphrates.**





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Slope

Temperature

Light



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Air: Soil Aeration

Perfect soil equals perfect aeration.

Isaiah 28

²⁴Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of his ground? ²⁵When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the rie in their place?



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Turnips
30 days





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Okra

50-55 days





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Lettuce

30-60 days





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Corriander

42 days





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Cucumbers
50 days





Heirloom Tomatoes-Cheroke



Okras



Carrots in early Stages



Plantains (Plantago Major)



Carrots





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Sweet Potatoes





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The Blessings of God

If the land is cultivated, it will, with the blessing of God, supply our necessities. We are not to be discouraged about temporal things because of apparent failures, nor should we be disheartened by delay. We should work the soil cheerfully, hopefully, gratefully, believing that the earth holds in her bosom rich stores for the faithful worker to garner, stores richer than gold or silver. The niggardliness laid to her charge is false witness. With proper, intelligent cultivation the earth will yield its treasures for the benefit of man. The mountains and hills are changing; the earth is waxing old like a garment; but the blessing of God, which spreads a table for His people in the wilderness, will never cease. {6T 178.2}



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The God of nature is perpetually at work. His infinite power works unseen, but manifestations appear in the effects which the work produces. The same God who guides the planets works in the fruit orchard and in the vegetable garden. He never made a thorn, a thistle, or a tare. These are Satan's work, the result of degeneration, introduced by him among the precious things; but it is through God's immediate agency that every bud bursts into blossom. When He was in the world in the form of humanity, Christ said: "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." John 5:17. So when the students employ their time and strength in agricultural work, in heaven it is said of them, Ye "are laborers together with God." 1 Corinthians 3:9. {6T 186.2}



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James 5

⁷Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.