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Succoth, 1943.

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1) Harvest - Festival devoted to H - New year celebrates beginning. also - celebrates completion - fulfillment - Harvest. 5-43
sig. 7 new

2) It is good to sow It is even better to reap! Good to begin
- To see the fruition of our labors - the result of our effort!
- It is not given to all to reap when they had sowed.
- Sometimes just effort remains unrewarded - and the best seed - and most conscientious labor - defeated by drought - by other unfavorable circumstances.

- Blessed is the man who is privileged to ingather the abundant harvest as a reward of his planning - seeding + weeding + tending.

- God wishes us to rejoice at such harvests - whether they
of the field, the orchard, + any other fruit of human
planting in careers - professions - activities - services.

- Do not be ashamed to rejoice + be happy at well merited success - at worthy achievements - and accomplishments.

~~אין צורך לומר כי אין אנו יכולים לראות את המצוינות וההישגים כמקרה או כחידוש, אלא כפרי של עבודה ושל תורה.~~

- It is a mitzvah to rejoice! Far from beginning as us our joys in life - as Bahyan bids us affirmatively to dunk deep cups of happiness. Honest work with heart mind

~~For happiness is one of the true rewards of the good life!~~

- 4). But not all WEEDS! There is blessed fruit also, the

① Seeds of freedom ^{in heart of men} - planted into acts of gander
as part of men - who fight & die for the good of all

② A rich Harvest of Courage - self-sacrifice - devotion
patriotism -

- (3) Ex. Denver, Ford-hill - Pety Thompson for Perseus

④ Denmark - Ring - 3/3/24 - Letter

"Here men have sown in righteousness and reap in mercy." 30th 1st 1137 - 2733 / 1007 1835.

5) After harvest / death - new seed-time -

Confidence. וְהַיּוֹם הַזֶּה יִשְׁתַּדֵּל לִי בְּכָל הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה
He who observes the wind will not sow - He that regards the cloud will
not reap.

^{Man has made suffering rare}
= Happiness is all too rare and precious to be misused
and too noble to be despised. ^{wisely} There is so little of
it in world - every happy occasion seized. ~~It is not for the~~
~~soul!~~ Helps to balance the measure of unhappiness & failure
& grief which comes when harvests fail.

② Joy can also be an educator (Jail). ^{1912 must 1906 2/22}
~~God in soul~~
5/ We are urged to reflect much on idea of Harvest - Joy

+ ① ^{1932 1935} Our highest exaltations & most achievement
were had their seeds in struggle - suffering - sorrows - tears.
The more we sow sweat of our brow, blood of our heart
for objective - the more we rejoice when success comes as labor.

- "Though he goeth on his way weeping that beareth the measure of
seed. He shall come home ^{with joy} bearing his sheaves"

- To those who are unwilling to break the hard ground -
to ~~remove~~ ^{turn over} the rocks, to bear the long hot dry sun
the rude flow, to endure cold that ^{hands} ~~skin~~ ^{shows} ~~stems~~
there will be no crop at harvest time - no bearing of
sheaves home in triumph.

+ ② ^{1937 1938} "They sow the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind"
There is an organic relation bet. what you sow and
what you reap.

For seed never yielded good fruit! Those who
plant this ^{things} should not expect wheat & corn.