

John 12:24~ Most truly I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains just one grain, but if it dies, it then bears much fruit.

1· So Jesus told them, that unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, then it will remain just one grain. Yet if it dies, then it can grow again, and then it will bear much fruit.

[Question] How did Jesus then use a grain of wheat, to illustrate what must happen to him first, and then to all of them in turn, in time?

2· From that time forward Jesus Christ commenced showing his disciples, that he must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the older men and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised up. (Matthew 16:21)

[Question] What did Jesus then tell his disciples from that time onward, that must happen to him in Jerusalem, at the hands of the religious leaders of the Jews?

3· For to this end Christ died and came to life again, that he might be Lord, over both the dead and the living. (Romans 14:9)

[Question] Why did Christ die, and come to life again?

4· You unreasonable person! What you sow, is not made alive, unless first it dies. (1 Corinthians 15:36)

[Question] What did Paul also show must happen, to that which we sow as seed, before it can live again?

5· Better is the end afterward of a matter than its beginning. Better is one who is patient, than one who is haughty in spirit. (Ecclesiastes 7:8)

[Question] Why is a man better off at the day of his death, than on the day of his birth?