

GRASS, FLOWERS, AND THE BIBLE

SCRIPTURE:

*For, "All flesh is like grass, and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers, and the flower falls off, but the word of the Lord endures forever."
(1 Peter 1: 24-25)*

MATERIALS LIST:

- (1) Grass
- (1) Flowers

MAIN MESSAGE:

All man, like grass and flowers, will grow old and die. The words of the Bible will never die. God's Word is eternal.

SONG: "Thy Word"

LESSON:

I love a beautiful lawn. There is something about having a good-looking yard with flower beds full of bright and colorful daisies, sunflowers, wildflowers, Knock Out roses, etc. It brings me a lot of joy to work in the yard all summer, plant new flowers, add mulch, water the grass and then sit on the back porch and enjoy the beauty of God's creation. However, winter is coming. When autumn hits the grass slows down and the flowers stop budding. It's not long before the grass dies and the flowers turn ugly, freeze and die from the cold winter.

God says that's what happens to man. It's the brevity of life. Our bodies are similar to grass and flowers. Solomon describes this process of growing old in Ecclesiastes 12:3-5 and says in verse 5, "For man goes to his eternal home while mourners go about in the street." We are designed to be born, grow strong and healthy and then fade away to our death.

However, Peter says there is something that is going to live forever – the Word of God. "All flesh is like grass, And all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls off, But the word of the Lord endures forever" (1 Peter 1:24-25). Your Bible contains truth in it that will never fade away. Even through harsh and difficult seasons, the Word of God will live on. It is eternal. That means nothing can destroy it (unlike our yards or bodies) and it has the power to change lives! The Word of God contains ALL truth in it. Jesus said, "Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth" (John 17:17). So here's what you need to know. First, the Word of God will live forever! Second, the Word of God has the power to change your life and save your soul! I love a beautiful lawn, but I love the Word of God even more!!

PRAYER: Thank you, God, for giving us Your Word that saves our souls!