

John 12: 23-26 =  $\Theta$  operates according to first law -

$\Theta$  takes the obvious & reverses it -

1- Basic principle - "Death must precede life."

1- In vegetable realm unless parent seed dies no fruit. Life is the true grain of wheat, but there is a very hard shell on outside - unless outer shell is broken, dies, the life on inside can't get out

2- X's example - surrendering his life for our life -

3- Discipleship requires the same self-sacrifice  
Segment 7 read favorite story

I- It is  $\Theta$  = the greatest hindrance is Xian work is not others but himself - Dying, the breaking of the outer man is the basic experience of all who serve  $\Theta$  -

1- the outer shell is our psyche-physical life, self life = the spirit of  $\Theta$  within us can only burst forth if we die

Alabaster box = oil when broken

2- we are dead positionally, not practically -  
Baptism is a grave not a bathtub -  
we're baptized cause we died, not X.

3- can prove we still living = if wasn't X who lost his temper, lust, pride, envious.

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II- Bringeth Forth much fruit = law of harvest - 1 seed = 3,000 millet seeds.

1- outer shell is our life = release of spirit

III. It abideth alone = sad words

- a grain, wheat is unexpected &  
reproduction as long as its preserved -  
- "Must I go & empty-handed"