



September Grace Gem 2025

In preparing my thoughts to do this Grace Gem for VAMWMW, being a country girl born, raised on a farm and a nature lover, I'm enjoying my favorite time of year. In the fall season, leaves turn beautiful shades of red, orange, yellow, and rust. The days become shorter and cooler. This scripture comes to mind I wish to share. In this Gem, I compare the season viewing changing color of leaves to the different changes in our lives and of those we love.

In The Old Testament Book of Ecclesiastes 3: verses 1-2.

"For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under the heaven. A time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted!"

The seasons and purpose we see are the different leaves, churches, community, and the world. As Christian wives and widows, our season and purpose may begin as new MWMW officer or in administration. A second purpose under heaven includes supporting our husbands as pastors. We view this changing season as a time for implementing new ministries. We can lend our support in this venue to help plant seeds that birth spiritual growth.

In the community, children are born with purpose and freedom to obtain an education on different levels of elementary, middle, and high school. In educational growth, we encourage them to enroll, attend college or university with a greater purpose of earning a degree.

In this world, whereas a race of people, we are treated as second class citizens. We must affect change & purpose by planting seeds of voting, teaching our young people to be aware of these improprieties, and pluck up that which is planted that adversely affect our constitutional rights.

Finally, God gives us wisdom to be discerning of the many seasonal changes occurring in our everyday lives & those whose lives we care for. Let us be impactful and prayerful as wives & widows to influence these entities as positive and loving role models.

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