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there is a  
season**

*And Elohiym said: Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be **for signs, and for appointed feasts, and for days, and years:**2 15 And let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth: and it was so. 16 And Elohiym made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. 17 And Elohiym set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth, 18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the dark-ness: and Elohiym saw that it was good.*

**-Bere'shiyth (Genesis) 1:14-18**

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*-Bere'shiyth (Genesis) 1:14*

Signs: **לְאֹתוֹת** (l'othoth – for signs)

Appointed Feasts: **וּלְמוֹעֲדִים** (ul'moadiym)

Days: **וּלְיָמִים** (ul'yomiym – and for days)

Years: **וּשְׁנָיִם** (v'shaniym – and years)

mo-ade' (מוֹעֵד) (Strong's H4150),

from H3259 (יָעַד) *ya'ad*, a primitive root meaning *to fix upon by agreement, to meet at a stated time, to summon, to engage for marriage*:—agree,(make an) appoint(-ment, a time), assemble (selves), betroth, gather (selves, together), meet (together), set (a time).

**m'ya'ad** (מִיָּעַד) meaning *from a fixed agreement to meet*, is then construed as mo'ade (מוֹעֵד) meaning *an appointment, i.e. a fixed time or season; specifically, a festival*; by implication, an *appointed solemn assembly, a solemn feast, due season, solemn set time*.


*3 And Mosheh said unto the people: Remember this day, in which ye came out from Mitsrayim, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand Yahuah brought you out from this place: there shall no chamets be eaten. 4 This day came ye out in the month Aviyv.*

*5 And it shall be when Yahuah shall bring you into the land of the Kena`aniym, and the Chittiym, and the Emoriym, and the Chivviym, and the Yevuciym, which he swore seven oaths unto your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, that you shall keep this service in this month. 6 Seven days you shall eat matstsah,<sup>35</sup> and in the seventh day shall be a feast to Yahuah. 7 Matstsah shall be eaten  $\Pi\aleph$  seven days; and there shall no chamets be seen with you, neither shall there be leaven seen with you in all your quarters.*

*-Shemoth (Exodus) 13:3-7*

*And you shall show your son in that day, saying: This is done because of that which Yahuah did unto me when I came forth out of Mitsrayim. 9 And it shall be for a sign unto you upon your hand, and for a memorial between your eyes, that Yahuah's Torah may be in your mouth: for with a strong hand has Yahuah brought you out of Mitsrayim. 10 You shall therefore guard this ordinance in **his appointed time** from year to year.*

*-Shemoth (Exodus) 13:3-7*



*To everything,  
there is a season, and a  
time to every purpose  
under the heavens:*

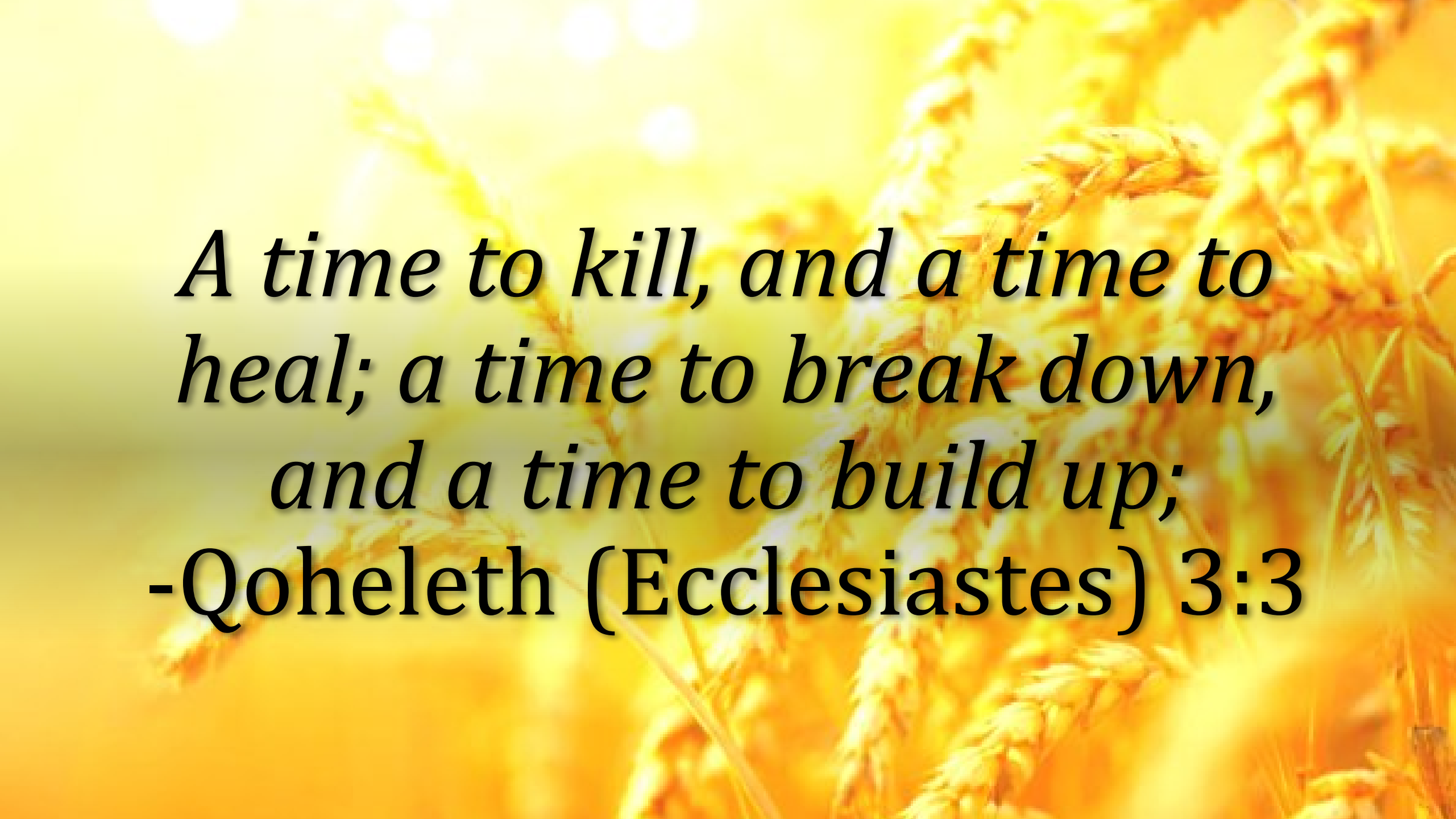
**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes)  
3:1**



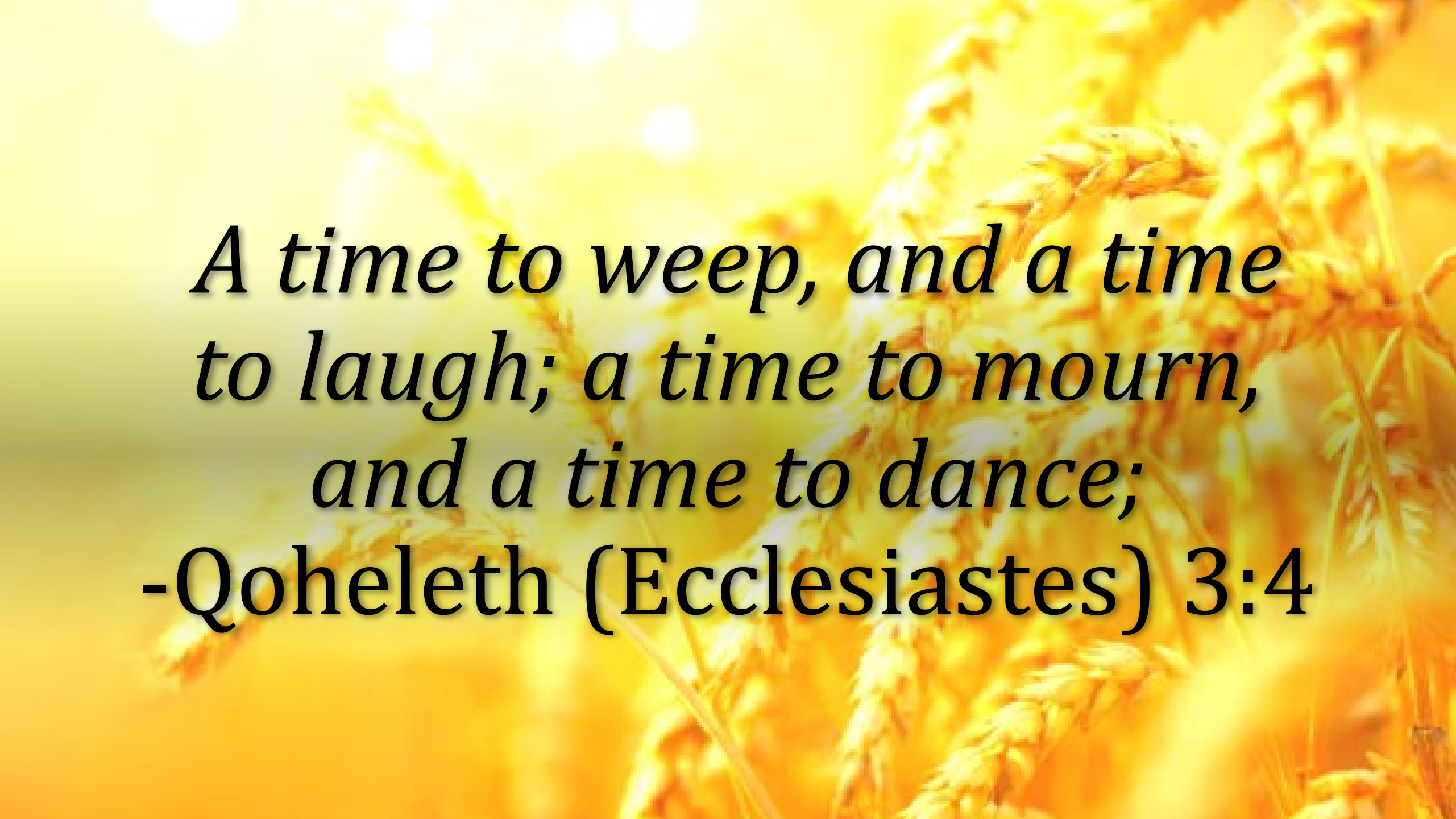
*A time to be born, and a  
time to die; a time to plant,  
and a time to pluck up that  
which is planted;*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes)**

**3:2**



*A time to kill, and a time to  
heal; a time to break down,  
and a time to build up;*  
-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:3

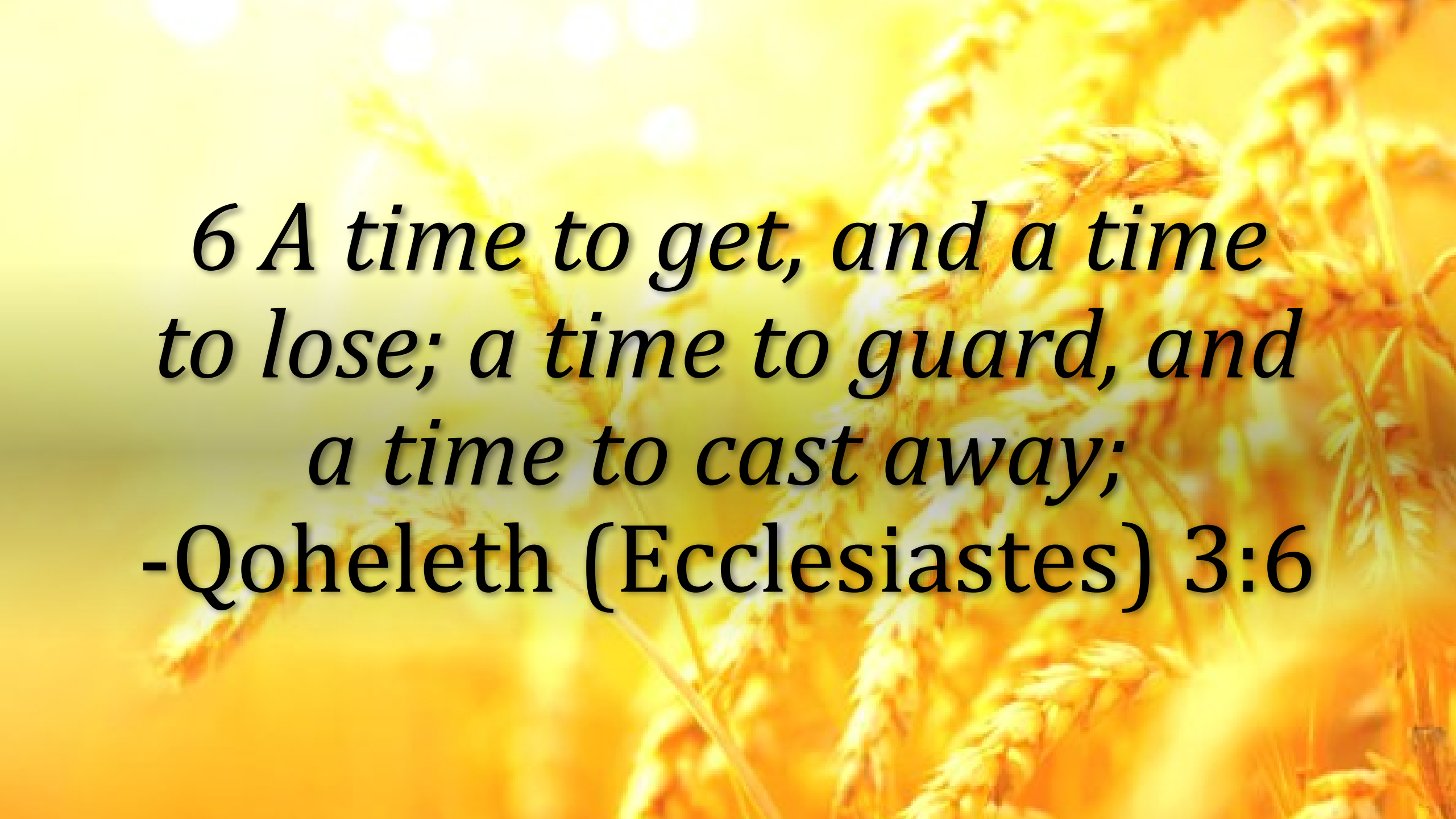


*A time to weep, and a time  
to laugh; a time to mourn,  
and a time to dance;*

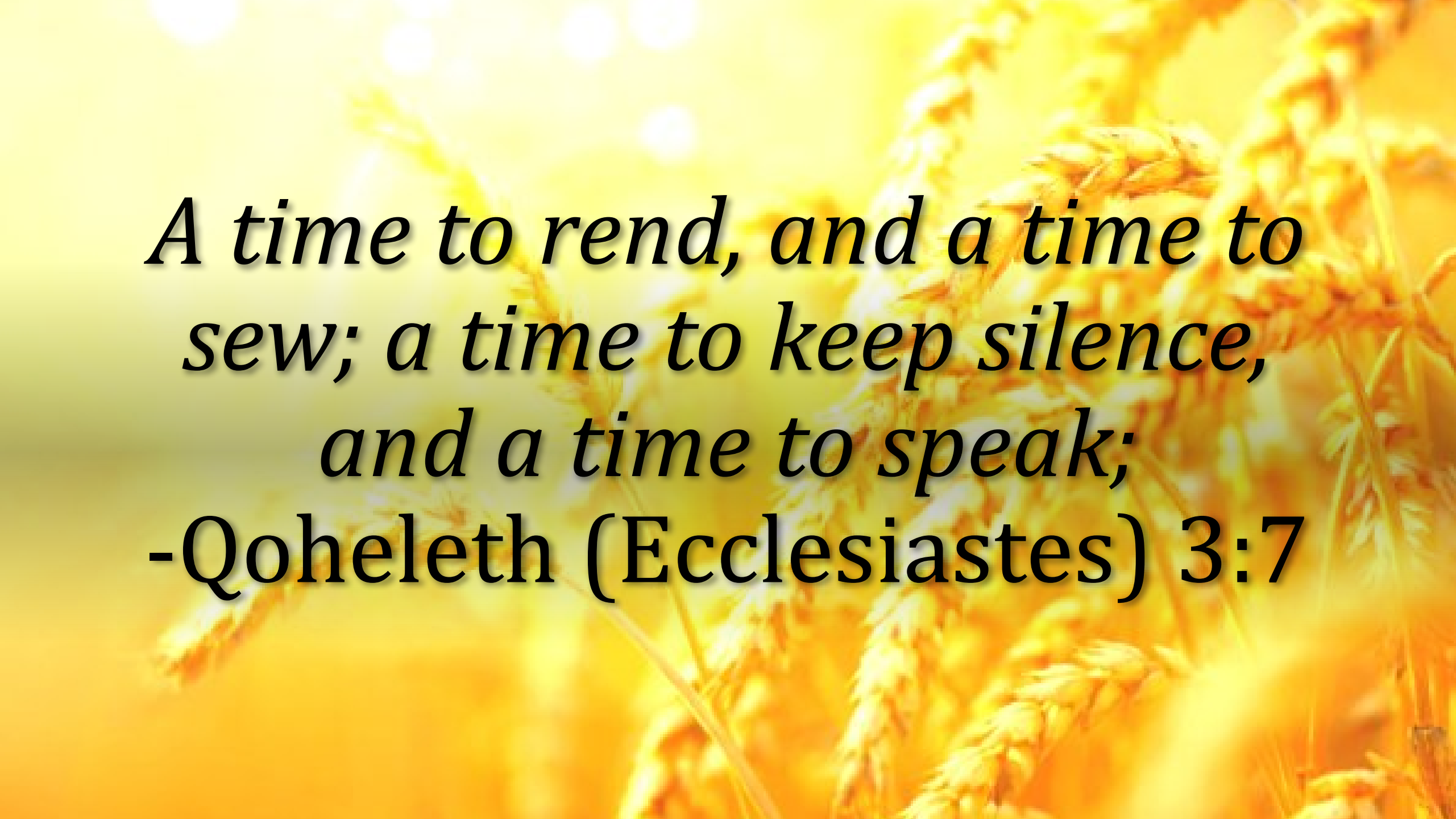
**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:4**

*A time to cast away stones,  
and a time to gather stones  
together; a time to embrace,  
and a time to refrain from  
embracing;*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:5**



*6 A time to get, and a time  
to lose; a time to guard, and  
a time to cast away;*  
-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:6



*A time to rend, and a time to  
sew; a time to keep silence,  
and a time to speak;*  
-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:7



*A time to love, and a time to  
hate; a time of war, and a  
time of peace.*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:8**

*9 What profit has he that works in that wherein  
he labors? 10 I have seen the travail, which  
Elohiym has given to the sons of men to be  
exercised in it. 11 He has made everything  
beautiful in his time: also, he has set the world in  
their heart, so that no man can find out the work  
that Elohiym makes from the beginning to the  
end.*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:9-11**



*I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice, and to do good in his life. 13 And also that every man should eat and drink and enjoy the good of all his labor, it is the gift of Elohiym. 14 I know that whatsoever Elohiym does, it shall be forever: nothing can be put to it, nor anything taken from it: and Elohiym does it, that men should fear before him. 15 That which has been, is now; and that which is to be, has already been; and Elohiym requires that which is past.*

*-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:12-15*

*And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there.*

*17 I said in my heart, Elohiym shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:16-17**

*I said in my heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that Elohiym might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts. 19 For that which befalls the sons of men befalls beasts; even one thing befalls them: as the one dies, so dies the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man has no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity.*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:18-19**

*20 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again. 21 Who knows the ruach of man that goes upward, and the ruach of the beast that goes downward to the earth? 22 Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?*

**-Qoheleth (Ecclesiastes) 3:20-22**

## **One season:**

*And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of Yahuah's house shall be established in the top of the mountains and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. 3 And many people shall go and say: Come ye and let us go up to the mountain of Yahuah, to the house of the Elohai of Ya`aqov; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Tsiyon shall go forth the Torah, and the Word of Yahuah from Yerushalayim. 4 And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. 5 O house of Ya`aqov, come ye, and let us walk in the light of Yahuah.*

**-Yesha'yahu (Isaiah) 2:2-5**

## **Another season:**

*9 Proclaim ye this among the other nations; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: 10 Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say: I am strong. 11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither cause your mighty ones to come down, O Yahuah. 12 Let the heathen be wakened and come up to the valley of Yahushaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about. 13 Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness is great. 14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of Yahuah is near in the valley of decision.*

**-Yesha'yahu (Isaiah) 2:2-5**

## **A season of heresy:**

*And after that Antiochus had smitten Mitsrayim, he returned again in the hundred forty and third year [169 BC] and went up against Yashar'el and Yerushalayim with a great multitude, 21 And entered proudly into the sanctuary, and took away the golden altar, and the menorah of light, and all the vessels thereof, 22 And the table of the showbread, and the pouring vessels, and the vials. and the censers of gold, and the veil, and the crown, and the golden ornaments that were before the Temple, all which he pulled off. 23 He took also the silver and the gold, and the precious vessels: also, he took the hidden treasures which he found. 24 And when he had taken all away, he went into his own land, having made a great massacre, and spoken very proudly.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:20-24**

## **A season of heresy:**

*And after two years fully expired [167 BC] the king sent his chief collector of tribute unto the cities of Yahud, who came unto Yerushalayim with a great multitude, 30 And spoke peaceable words unto them, but all was deceit: for when they had given him credence, he fell suddenly upon the city, and smote it very sore, and destroyed many people of Yashar'el. 31 And when he had taken the spoils of the city, he set it on fire, and pulled down the houses and walls thereof on every side. 32 But the women and children took they captive and possessed the cattle.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:29-32**



## A season of heresy:

*Then built they the city of David with a great and strong wall, [167 BC] and with mighty towers, and made it a stronghold for them. 34 And they put therein a sinful nation, wicked men, and fortified themselves therein. 35 They stored it also with armor and victuals, and when they had gathered together the spoils of Yerushalayim, they laid them up there, and so they became a sore snare: 36 For it was a place to lie in wait against the sanctuary, and an evil adversary to Yashar'el. 37 Thus **they shed innocent blood** on every side of the sanctuary and defiled it: 38 So much so that the inhabitants of Yerushalayim fled because of them: whereupon **the city was made a habitation of strangers** and became strange to those that were born in her; and **her own children left her.***

-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:33-38

## A season of heresy:

41 Moreover King Antiochus wrote to his whole kingdom, that **all should be one people**, 42 And everyone should leave his laws: so, all the heathen agreed according to the commandment of the king. 43 Yea, **many also of Yashar'el consented to his religion**, and sacrificed unto idols, and profaned the Shabbath. 44 For the king had sent cepherym by messengers unto Yerushalayim and the cities of Yahud that they should follow the strange laws of the land, 45 And forbid ascending smoke offerings, and sacrifice, and drink offerings, in the Temple; and that they should **profane the Shabbaths and feast days**: 46 And **pollute the sanctuary and holy people**: 47 **Set up altars, and Asherah poles, and chapels of idols, and sacrifice swine's flesh, and unclean beasts**:

-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:41-47

## **A season of heresy:**

*That they should also leave their children uncircumcised and **make their souls abominable with all manner of uncleanness and profanation:** 49 To the end they might forget the Torah and change all the ordinances. 50 And whosoever would not do according to the commandment of the king, he said, he should die.*

*51 In the selfsame manner wrote he to his whole kingdom, and appointed overseers over all the people, commanding the cities of Yahud to sacrifice, city by city. 52 Then many of the people were gathered unto them, to wit everyone that forsook the Torah; and so, they committed evils in the land; 53 And **drove Yashar'el into secret places**, even wheresoever they could flee for help.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:48-53**

## **A season of heresy:**

*Now the fifteenth day of the month Kiclev, in the hundred forty and fifth year [167 BC], **they set up the abomination of desolation** upon the altar and built idol altars throughout the cities of Yahud on every side; 55 And burnt incense at the doors of their houses, and in the streets. 56 And when they had **rent in pieces the cepheriym of the Torah which they found, they burnt them with fire.** 57*

*And **whosoever was found with any cepher of the covenant, or if any committed to the Torah, the king's commandment was, that they should put him to death.** 58 Thus did they by their authority unto Yashar'el every month, to as many as were found in the cities.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:54-58**

## **A season of heresy:**

*Now the five and twentieth day of the month they did sacrifice upon the idol altar, which was upon the altar of Elohiym. 60 At which time according to the commandment they put to death certain women, that had caused their children to be circumcised. 61 And they hanged the infants about their necks, and rifled their houses, and slew them that had circumcised them. 62 Howbeit many in Yashar'el were fully resolved and confirmed in themselves not to eat any unclean thing. 63 Wherefore they rather to die, that they might not be defiled with meats, and that they might not profane the holy covenant: so, then they died. 64 And there was very great wrath upon Yashar'el.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 1:59-64**

## **A season of heresy:**

*15 In the meanwhile the king's officers, such as compelled the people to revolt, came into the city Modin, to make them sacrifice. 16 And when many of Yashar'el came unto them, Mattithyahu also and his sons came together. 17 Then answered the king's officers and said to Mattithyahu on this wise: You are ruler, and an honorable and great man in this city, and strengthened with sons and brethren: 18 Now therefore come you first, and fulfil the king's commandment, like as all the heathen have done, yea, and the men of Yahudah also, and such as remain at Yerushalayim: so **shall you and your house be in the number of the king's friends, and you and your children shall be honored with silver and gold, and many rewards.***

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 2:15-18**

## **A season of heresy:**

*19 Then Mattithyahu answered and spoke with a loud voice:  
Though all the nations that are under the king's dominion  
obey him and fall away everyone from the faith of their  
fathers and give consent to his commandments: 20 Yet will I  
and my sons and my brethren walk in the covenant of our  
fathers. 21 Far be it that we should forsake the Torah and the  
ordinances. 22 We will not hearken to the king's words, to go  
from our faith, either on the right hand, or the left.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 2:19-22**

## **A season of heresy:**

*Now when he had left speaking these words, there came one of the Yahudiym in the sight of all to sacrifice on the altar which was at Modin, according to the king's commandment. 24 Which thing when Mattithyahu saw, he was inflamed with zeal, and his mind trembled, neither could he forbear to show his anger according to judgment: wherefore he ran and slew him upon the altar. 25 Also the king's commissioner, who compelled men to sacrifice, he killed at that time, and the altar he pulled down.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 2:23-25**



**To everything, there is a season :**

*And Mattithyahu cried throughout the city with a loud voice, saying: Whosoever is zealous of the Torah, and maintains the covenant, let him follow me. 28 So he and his sons fled into the mountains and left all that ever they had in the city. 29 Then many **that sought after justice and judgment** went down into the wilderness, to dwell there: 30 Both they, and their children, and their women; and their cattle, because afflictions increased sore upon them.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 2:27-30**

**To everything, there is a season:**

*49 Now when the time drew near that Mattithyahu should die, he said unto his sons, Now has pride and rebuke gotten strength, and the time of destruction, and the wrath of indignation: 50 Now therefore, my sons, be ye zealous for the Torah, and give your lives for the covenant of your fathers. 51 Call to remembrance what acts our fathers did in their time; so shall ye receive great honor and an everlasting name. 52 Was not Avraham found faithful in temptation, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness? 53 Yoceph in the time of his distress kept the commandment and was made adoniy of Mitsrayim. 54 Piynechac our father in being zealous and fervent obtained the covenant of an everlasting priesthood. 55 Yahusha for fulfilling the word was made a judge in Yashar'el. 56 Kalev for bearing witness before the assembly received the heritage of the land. 57 David for being merciful possessed the throne of an everlasting kingdom.*

*-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 2:49-57*

**To everything, there is a season:**

*Eliyahu for being zealous and fervent for the Torah was taken up into heaven. 59 Chananyahu, Azaryahu, and Miysha'el, by believing were saved out of the flame. 60 Daniy'el for his innocence was delivered from the mouth of lions. 61 And thus consider ye throughout all ages, that none that put their trust in him shall be overcome. 62 Fear not then the words of a sinful man: for his glory shall be dung and worms. 63 Today he shall be lifted up and tomorrow he shall not be found, because he is returned into his dust, and his thought is come to nothing. 64 Wherefore, ye my sons, be valiant and show yourselves men on the behalf of the Torah; for by it shall ye obtain glory.*

**-Makkabiym Ri'shon (1 Maccabees) 2:58-64**

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