

HELEN SANDERS  
6-24-2022  
WEEDS OR FLOWERS

I love flowers in my yard, but I am not a gardener. My husband likes to garden and has a lot of work keeping up with the things we grow to eat and the yard in general.

Years ago, there was a situation where I was displeased with someone. I didn't think they were "proper" marriage material for someone I knew. My analogy was based solely on what I saw with my eyes. What I saw just didn't fit the standards I thought would make a good choice.

I had planted some flowers in my yard and a while later I decided to do some weeding. While I was heading out to weed my flowers the phone rang and the person that called told me that this man that I had an attitude with had received salvation. I was shocked. I never thought that would happen.

I continued on my way to the flowers because I had neglected them. Weeds had sprung up. As I went to weed them, I noticed that what I thought were weeds were actually the flowers. They didn't look like much when they had first started growing, but now they were blooming and full of flowers.

As I walked toward the flowers the Lord spoke to me. He said, "Helen, do you notice the blooms on this plant?" I answered, "Yes, Lord." He said, "You thought they were just weeds, when given time they were the flowers you wanted. What do you think would have happened if you had pulled them up and discarded them?"

I responded with, "Well, I would have made a big mistake. I would not have seen the beauty of the flowers."

Then the Lord reminded me of this person that I didn't think was marriage material. "You are looking at him through the natural eye, Helen. You only saw what looked like weeds when he actually was a flower about to blossom."

I repented for my bad attitude. It was then that I made a decision to look at people through the Lord's eyes and not my own. I hope that you will do the same.