

# The Church Now Fruitful

by Clement of Rome

---

*The sermon emphasizes the church's transformation from spiritual barrenness to fruitfulness, highlighting God's desire to save those who are perishing.*

**Scripture:** Isaiah 54:1, Luke 5:32, Romans 4:17, 1 Timothy 2:4, 2 Peter 3:9

**Topics:** "Salvation For Sinners", "Faith And Redemption"

---

## Description

Clement of Rome preaches about rejoicing in barrenness and offering sincere prayers to God. He explains that the church, once barren, now has many children through faith. By referencing the outcasts who have become numerous believers, he emphasizes the importance of salvation for sinners. Clement highlights Christ's mission to save those who are perishing, calling us to turn from destruction and embrace salvation.

---

## Transcript

Rejoice, you barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, you that travailest not; for she that is desolate has many more children than she that has an husband. In that He said, Rejoice, you barren that bearest not, He referred to us, for our church was barren before that children were given to her. But when He said, Cry out, you that travailest not, He means this, that we should sincerely offer up our prayers to God, and should not, like women in travail, show signs of weakness.

And in that He said, For she that is desolate has many more children than she that has an husband, [He means] that our people seemed to be outcast from God, but now, through believing, have become more numerous than those who are reckoned to possess God. And another Scripture says, I came not to call the righteous, but sinners. This means that those who are perishing must be saved. For it is indeed a great and admirable thing to establish not the things which are standing, but those that are falling.

Thus also did Christ desire to save the things which were perishing, and has saved many by coming and calling us when hastening to destruction.

---

Source: <https://sermonindex.net/speakers/clement-of-rome/the-church-now-fruitful/>

# *Grow in Your Walk with Christ*

---

Listen and read messages that will stir your heart for Christ and point you to deeper repentance and devotion.

- 50,000+ Sermons from speakers past and present
- 3,900+ Classic Christian Books freely readable online
- 1,200+ Bible Translations and Commentaries
- Over 450k forum posts — Join our vibrant online Christian forum

**[www.sermonindex.net](http://www.sermonindex.net)**