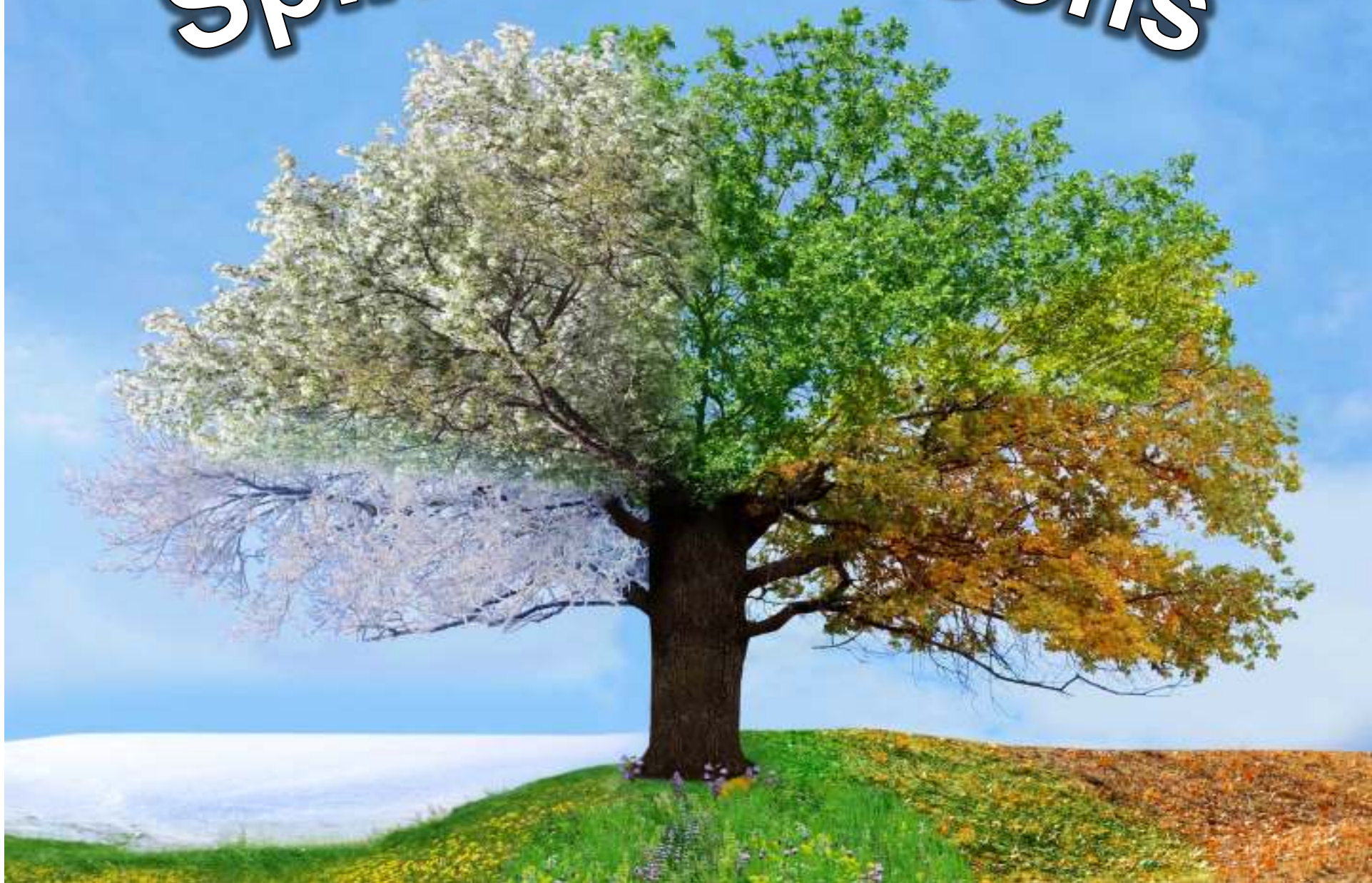


Life has Seasons!



Spiritual Seasons



The Tree



**In winter when the
days are cold and
water is scarce,
the focus is
the roots**



**In spring when water is
plentiful the focus is on
renewal and
reproduction**



**In summer the days are
hot and the water comes
in spurts the focus
becomes
the branches**



The Season of Autumn



Autumn

In our area its a season denoted
by two things in nature;
Rain and Leaves

Its a season of harvest

Many see it as a season
of plenty (Thanksgiving)

The days get shorter
and the nights get longer



Seasons

Winter is harsh

Spring exciting

Summer hot

Autumn seems to take
a slow and steady pace

Things seem to be winding down



How they look

They go from their lush green to the vibrant colors that bring many tourists to our area

Don't feel too sorry for those leaves as they fall they play a vital roll for the tree



How they look

The shedding of the
leaves is not
the death of the tree

Nor has it stopped
Growing



Inward Focused

**We don't want this to
become the norm**

Outreach Driven

**But this is a season we
all go through**

The tree has been busy growing

There has to be a season to replenish



The Quest for Water



Spiritual Autumn



The need for replenishing

God understands the need
for replenishing
(Leviticus 25:3-5)

In Solomon's statements about
seasons of life, he denoted
times of pushing forward and
times of pulling back

Jesus acknowledged the need for rest
(Mark 6:31)



Be Still
(Psalm 46:10)



**Replenish
Physically
(Isaiah 40:29-30)**



Replenish Your Mind (Romans 12:2)

Refocus your thought
process (Philippians 4:8)



**Create in me a pure heart,
O God, and renew a steadfast
spirit within me.**

Psalm 51:10

A Pure Heart

**That means this time
of renewal is probably going
to involve some repentance**



**Its only is a season
not a lifestyle**

You can not live in Autumn

**A tree that remains in this
state when the season change
will die**

**The Bible warns agains idleness
(1 Timothy 5:13)**



**Replenish
for a season
because winter
is coming**

