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21) The "pulling weeds" and "planting seeds" illustration (to growing Christ-like Character - see Philippians 1:11 NLT, and Ecclessiastes 10:2. This is sanctification

	Negative Traits to Remove (Pull Weeds)	Positive Traits to Add (Plant Seeds) (Read Matthew 13)
Path	Way of: darkness/sin/evil/ foolishness/wickedness (Prov 4:14,19) (1 Cor 3:15 NLT)	Way of: holiness/wisdom/ righteousness/light (Prov 4:18) (2 Peter 1:2-11 NLT)
Traits/ Habits	7 Abominations (Prov 6:16-19)	Fruit of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:22-24)
	Proud Look	Love (highest goal!) (See NOA ¶186)
	Lying tongue	Joy
	Hands shed innocent blood	Peace
	Heart devises wicked plans	Patience (longsuffering)
	Feet run to evil	Kindness
	False witness, speaks lies	Goodness
	Sows discord among brethren	Faithfulness
	8 sin habits resulting in 2nd death (Rev 21:8)	Gentleness
	Cowardly (fearful)	Self-Control
	Unbelieving/Without faith	Armor of God (Eph 6:14-19)
	Corrupt/Abominable	Truth
	Murderers (includes hatred in heart - see 1 John 3:15)	Righteousness
	Immoral (sexual)/fornicators (see Matthew 5:27-28)	Gospel of Peace
	Practice Witchcraft/ drug use	Salvation (See also Ephesians 2:8-10 and Romans 10:1-13)
	Idol worshipers (Greed or avarice for money biggest issue - See Psalm 115 x 135)	Faith
	Liars	Word of God
	Thieves - See Exodus 20:15, Prov 9:17	Praying always
	Anger (James 1:19-20)	Perseverance
	Coveteousness - Exodus 20:17	Mind of Christ (1 Corinthians 2:16)
Polarity/ Spiritual father	- Lusts of flesh, lusts of eyes and pride of life. Listens to Satan (See 1 John 3:8)	+ The "born again" person (see John 3) Listens to Jesus Christ via Holy Spirit / Bible study

GROWTH: Goes from here → to there (become a "new person")

See Matthew 13, Especially verse 23. This is an example list of 36 character trait improvements (18 pulled weeds, 18 planted seeds) of over 100 such traits that can be found in Scripture.

How to TRANSFORM into a new person: Renew mind (Romans 12:2), by taking every thought (and feeling and emotion) captive, and make them obedient to Christ. (2 Corinthians 10:5)