

Seven Sides of Jesus, Pt. 4 The Vine, John 15:1-8 By Louie Marsh, 3-26-2017

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God's Word cleanses me & clean.
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⁴ Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart

I cannot bear fruit unless I'mto Christ.
Apart from Christ I can do
3) When I lose my connection to Christ I immediately begin to spiritually
⁶ If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. John 15:6 (ESV)
4) Abiding in Christ guides me to pray
 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. John 15:7-8 (ESV) Prayer flows from being connected to Christ &
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from me you can do nothing. John 15:4-5 (ESV)

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³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places... ⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ Ephesians 1:3,9 (ESV)

⁴ Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. Romans 7:4 (ESV)



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