



The Gospel of John 15-21
I Am the Vine
By Louie Marsh, 05-19-2023

1) I must _____ on remaining in Jesus, the only source of spiritual life.

¹ "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. John 15:1 (ESV)

2) I must _____ with the Father as He cleanses me.

² Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit...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 15:2, 6 (ESV)

- Two major sources of spiritual dirt in my life:

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⁹ For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building. 1 Corinthians 3:9 (ESV)

- The Father disciplines me to make me _____.

³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. ⁴ In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵ And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. ⁶ For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives." Hebrews 12:3-6 (ESV)

¹⁰ For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of

righteousness to those who have been trained by it. Hebrews 12:10-11 (ESV)

3) Only by _____ can I bear fruit & please God.

³ Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. 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 from me you can do nothing. John 15:3-5 (ESV)

- Abide (meno) = _____ where you've been placed

⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. John 15:8 (ESV)

- Regardless of my past, I've been _____ in Christ.

¹⁷ But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree, ¹⁸ do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but the root that supports you. Romans 11:17-18 (ESV)

- I can't do _____ that pleases God apart from Christ.

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. John 15:9-11 (ESV)

⁴ and these things we write, that our joy may be made full. 1 John 1:4 (ASV)

¹² Having many things to write unto you, I would not write them with paper and ink: but I hope to come unto you, and to speak face to face, that your joy may be made full. 2 John 1:12 (ASV)



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