

Living Life To The Fullest

Introduction: Jesus' Desire John 10:10

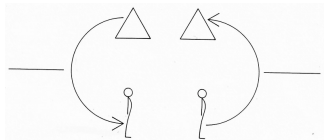
- Full – means...provide in abundance, increase, abound, abundant.
- John 1:14 , Colossians 2:9, John 15:9
- Matt. 16:9,10 – what about baskets?

I. John 15:1-5 – Jesus The Vine

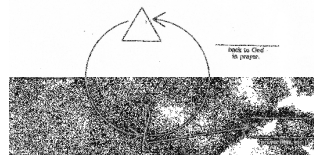
- Remain (vs.4,5,6,7,9,10)
- Pruning (vs.2)
- OUR Purpose (vs.8)
- OUR Source (vs.5)
- What is the Joy (vs.11)

II. What is a Daily quiet time?

- Two-way Communication



Poor Fellowship



Effective Fellowship

III. Resources- and how to begin

Reflection & Response:

- What's your plan to grow closer and deeper in your daily walk with Jesus?

- **THINK BACK** Sunday's message

- What stood out to you?
- What are you doing about it?
- Were you left with questions?

- **CORE TRUTH**

How does a believer grow in Christ on a daily basis?

Answer: Just as Jesus went to a "solitary place" to meet with His Father (Mark 1:35), so we should daily pull away from the busyness of life for a personal time with our Lord and Saviour.

Putting it in Context – Read John 15:1-11

1. What do we do to REMAIN in the Vine?
2. Pruning is a necessary process in order to produce more fruit (v.2). What does the Lord use to prune us of the "dead" branches in our lives?
3. Our Purpose, according to Jesus, is to "bear fruit" (John 15:9,16,17). What is the nature of the fruit that is to be produced through our lives?
4. In verse 11, what is the JOY of Jesus that he wants us to have?

REFLECTION AND PRAYER – Developing Intimacy with Jesus.

- Share in twos or threes, your struggles in having an effective and consistent daily quiet time.
- What can you do, to take better advantage of Jesus' invitation to have daily fellowship with Him?
- Pray that your daily communication with Jesus will be more responsive to your reading ... Try journaling.