

# The Daily Discipline that will Change Your Life

John 15:1-8

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#### John 15:1-8 FSV

1°I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

### The Real Vine (1)

False vines abound. You will be tempted to attach yourself to vines planted by the deceiver.

Matthew 7:15-20 NIV

Jesus is the True Vine.

#### Real Fruit (2, 5)

A fruitless branch only proves that there is no real attachment to the vine.

You prove that you are a true believer by bearing fruit that will last.

## Real Relationship (4, 7)

You will bear fruit only by abiding in Christ.

**For next Sunday**, read John 15:9-17, "The Key that Unlocks the Door to Relationships"