

Gospel of John

(15.1; #56) True Fruit Bearing

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The True Vine bears true fruit...John 15:1-11

What does Jesus teach them (and us) next? [15:1, 1:9, 17, 6:32, 55; 1Cor.3:5-9](#)

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Christ is the True Vine. Who are the branches? [15:5](#) What part is 'pruned'? [15:2, 7-8, 16](#)

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Name some fruits. [Mk.4:20; Rom.15:22-29; 1Cor.15:20-24; 16:15; Gal.5:22; Eph.5:9-10; Col.1:10; Heb.13:15](#)

Who benefits from the believer's fruit? [15:8; Numbers 13:23-27; Mt.7:15-20](#)

What does Jesus teach in [15:3-5](#)? [13:5-11; 1Cor.3:10-15](#)

What does it mean to 'abide' in Christ? [15:16-17; 1Jn.1:1-10; Col.1:9-12](#)

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I AM the True Vine and My Father is the Vinedresser (the one who tends/prunes the vine)

What are (3) vines spoken of in Scripture? **Isa.5:1-7; Mt.21:33-46; Jn.15:1; Rev.14:14-20**

The failed vine (Israel); the TRUE Vine (Christ); the judged vine (the vine of the earth).

Christ is the True Vine. Who are the branches? **15:5** What part is 'pruned'? **15:2, 7-8, 16**

True believers are the branches, intended to bear fruit; pruned to yield high quality fruit.

What is the desired progression of fruit bearing? **15:2, 5, 8; Eph.5:8-10; Col.1:9-12**

1, No fruit 2. Fruit 3. Pruned to bear more fruit 4. Abide in Him then bears much fruit!

Name some fruits. **Mk.4:20; Rom.15:22-29; 1Cor.15:20-24; 16:15; Gal.5:22; Eph.5:9-10; Col.1:10; Heb.13:15**

Good soil, financial gifts, Christ+believers, first believers, of the Spirit, pleasing Him, every good work, thankful lips.

Who benefits from the believer's fruit? **15:8; Numbers 13:23-27; Mt.7:15-20**

It glorifies the Father and proves from Jesus' disciple. Good/bad, You will know them...

What does Jesus teach in **15:3-5**? **13:5-11; 1Cor.3:10-15**

You're clean (saved) already. This is now about abiding in Him required to bear fruit.

What does it mean to 'abide' in Christ? **15:16-17; 1Jn.1:1-10; Col.1:9-12**

Abide = to remain in a given relation/place. That is, to remain in fellowship with Christ.

How do we go about abiding in Him? Is it automatic? **15:3-11, 14:21; 1Jn.1:5-10; Col.1:10**

It's not automatic. Abiding is confessing sins, feeding on His Word, walking worthy of Him