

## SERMON NOTES

## FRUITFUL – LIVING A JOHN 15 LIFE

JOHN 15:1-13 | AUGUST 27, 2023

**SENIOR PASTOR  
TIM HARKNESS**



I. \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus and draw life from Him. (1-6)

II. \_\_\_\_\_ your Father as you humbly, prayerfully approach the throne. (7-8)

III. \_\_\_\_\_ your King, showing that you abide in His love. (9-11)

IV. \_\_\_\_\_ others as Jesus has poured His love into your life. (12-13)

# IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

## KEY PASSAGE: JOHN 15:1-13

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage? *Abide in Jesus and draw life from Him; Ask your Father as you humbly, prayerfully approach the throne; Obey your King, showing that you abide in His love; Love others as Jesus has poured His love into your life.*

### INFORM THE HEAD / STIR THE HEART

1. What is the difference between making fruit and bearing fruit? How does that impact the way we approach our relationship with the Lord?

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2. Please use scripture from this passage to define God's ~

- a. Authority

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- b. Involvement in our lives

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- c. Love

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3. What is the difference between knowing God's word and letting His word "abide" in us?

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4. Please use John 15:7-8, 16 to explain the following ~

- a. What must also be true for our prayers to be answered with a yes?

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- b. Why God would NOT answer prayers when these things aren't happening?
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5. Why do you think Jesus ties obedience to abiding in Him? How did He model that for us?
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6. Jesus said He spoke the things in this passage in order that we may have joy. What things lead to joy? How are the things that lead us to joy in direct opposition from what the world teaches?
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7. Why do you think Jesus ties abiding with Him together with loving others? Can we be "good with Jesus" while NOT loving others? Please explain your answer.
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CHALLENGE THE WILL

Based on what you learned in Sunday's message and in your study time, what is one measurable thing you will go after this week in your walk with Christ?

WEEKLY READING PLAN

- Monday, August 28 // 1 John 1:5-2:6  
*Abide in Him*
- Tuesday, August 29 // John 5:19-30  
*Follow Jesus' Example*
- Wednesday, August 30 // Ephesians 3:7-21  
*Abide in His Love*
- Thursday, August 31 // John 10:7-21  
*He is Your Good Shepherd*
- Friday, September 1 // John 1:43-51  
*Heed His Call*