


JOHN 15-17
JESUS PREPARING
DISCIPLES ON
THINGS TO
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JESUS PREPARING DISCIPLES

- **To produce good fruit, abide in Jesus**
- **To truly love one another, Jesus is the example**
- **Warning of world reaction for being Christ-like**
- **Promise of helper (Holy Spirit) to help guide**
- **Foretells them of departure (death & resurrection) and disciples' scattering.**
- **They can make request known to Jesus.**
- **Jesus prays to Father for Himself, disciples, and other believers.**



JESUS THE TRUE VINE JOHN 15:1-8

KEY THINGS MENTIONED IN JOHN 15-1-8

- True Vine = Jesus
- Vinedresser = God the Father
- Prune = clean and prepare to grow fruit
- Branch = Bear the fruit from vine & support the leaves
- Fruit = product from vine
- Abide = staying close to or to endure

JOHN 15:1-8

¹“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser.

² Every **branch** in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every **branch** that **bears fruit**, **He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit**.

³ You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

⁴ **Abide** in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it **abides** in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you **abide** in Me.

⁵ **I am the vine, you are the branches**; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for **apart from Me you can do nothing**.

⁶ If anyone does not abide in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned.

⁷ If you **abide** in Me, and My words **abide** in you, ask whatever **you wish**, and it **will be done for you**.

⁸ My Father is **glorified** by this, that you **bear much fruit**, and so prove to be My disciples.

JESUS IS EXAMPLE HOW DISCIPLES SHOULD LOVE ONE ANOTHER JOHN 15:9-17

John 15:9 Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; **abide** in My love.

This is a love that it:

- has no beginning.
- has no end.
- is close and personal.
- is without measure.
- is unchanging.

JESUS IS EXAMPLE HOW DISCIPLES SHOULD LOVE ONE ANOTHER JOHN 15:9-17

¹² “This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that one lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are My friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.

Disciples are more than servants but friend.

John 15:9-17 emphasizes the importance of loving one another and remaining united with Jesus.

JESUS IS EXAMPLE HOW WORLD WILL REACT TO DISCIPLES JOHN 15:18 TO JOHN 16:4

The world may reject the disciples because of who they are.

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before *it hated* you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.

Foretold they would hate without cause. Psalm 69:4a

²⁵ But *they have done this* to fulfill the word that is written in their Law, ‘THEY HATED ME WITHOUT A CAUSE.’

JESUS IS EXAMPLE HOW WORLD WILL REACT TO DISCIPLES JOHN 15:18 TO JOHN 16:4

Pre-warning give to keep from stumbling of persecution to come.

¹ “These things I have spoken to you so that you may be **kept from stumbling**. ² They will make **you outcasts** from the synagogue, but an hour is coming for everyone who kills you to think that he is offering service to God. ³ These things they will do because they have not known the Father or Me. ⁴ But these things I have spoken to you, so that when their hour comes, you may remember that I told you of them. These things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.

PROMISE AND IMPORTANCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT JOHN 16:5-15

⁵ “But now I am going to Him who sent Me; and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ **But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away;** for if I do not go away, **the Helper** will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

Why is it for disciple's advantage Jesus go away?

PROMISE AND IMPORTANCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT JOHN 16:5-15

Why is it for disciple's advantage Jesus to go away?

- 1. Jesus' departure allows the Holy Spirit to come to them**
- 2. The Holy Spirit would be able to reside within each believer**
- 3. Empowering them to spread the Gospel further and more effectively than if Jesus were physically present alone**
- 4. Enabling a more intimate and widespread ministry.**

JESUS PREPARE DISCIPLES ON COMING CHALLENGES JOHN 16:16-33

- **Jesus tells them of His immediate but brief departure.**
 - Told so they would not be overly shocked.
- **Jesus explains of coming sorrow will turn into joy.**
 - Told so they would have insight to purpose.

²⁰ Truly, truly, I say to you, that you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will grieve, but your grief will be turned into joy. ²¹ Whenever a woman is in labor she has pain, because her hour has come; but when she gives birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy that a child has been born into the world. ²² Therefore you too have grief now; but I will see you again, and your heart will rejoice, and no one *will* take your joy away from you.

JESUS PREPARE DISCIPLES ON COMING CHALLENGES JOHN 16:16-33

Jesus promises access to God after Jesus' departure.

²³ In that day you will not question Me about anything. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask the Father for anything in My name, He will give it to you. ²⁴ Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.

**The disciples will not only have access to Jesus as he departs,
but they also have access to God the Father.**

This is same for all believers! 😊

JESUS PREPARE DISCIPLES ON COMING CHALLENGES JOHN 16:16-33

The disciples proclaim their faith; Jesus places it in perspective.

²⁹ His disciples *said, “Lo, now You are speaking plainly and are not using a figure of speech. ³⁰ Now we know that You know all things, and have no need for anyone to question You; by this we believe that You came from God.” ³¹ Jesus answered them, “**Do you now believe?** ³² Behold, an hour is coming, and has *already* come, for you to be scattered, each to his own *home*, and to leave Me alone; and *yet* I am not alone, because the Father is with Me.

Jesus final words to encourage disciples.

³³ These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. **In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”**

JESUS' PRAYER TO FATHER AS EXAMPLE TO DISCIPLES JOHN 17

Jesus prays to Father for :

- Himself (John 17:1-5)
 - Prayer is repeatedly directed to God the Father.
 - There is recognition of and concern for God's name.
 - There is concern for the work of the kingdom of God.
 - There is concern for keeping from evil.

⁴ **I glorified You** on the earth, having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do. ⁵ Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, **with the glory** which I had with You before the world was.

JESUS' PRAYER TO FATHER AS EXAMPLE TO DISCIPLES JOHN 17

Jesus prays to Father for :

- Disciples with Him (John 17:6-19)
 - Jesus reviews His prep work already accomplished with the apostles.
 - Jesus makes requests on behalf of His apostles.
 - He asks the Father for their unity. 11
 - He asks the Father to sanctify them. 17-19

¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth. ¹⁸ As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

JESUS' PRAYER TO FATHER AS EXAMPLE TO DISCIPLES JOHN 17

Jesus prays to Father for :

- Future disciples/believers (John 17:20-26)

²⁰ “I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word;

- He prays for unity for believers so that the world may believe in Christ.
- He prays that He can be together with believers.
- He reviews the work He had done in the disciples' lives.

²⁵ “O righteous Father, although the world has not known You, yet I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me; ²⁶ and I have made Your name known to them, and will make it known, **so that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them.**”

JESUS PREPARED DISCIPLES

- **To produce good fruit**
- **To truly love one another**
- **Warning of world reaction**
- **Promise of helper**
- **Foretells them of short departure**
- **Gave example how to cast all concern to God who will hear their cries**