



I Am the True Vine

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"I am the true grapevine...Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing."

John 15:1-8

UNDERSTANDING

READ [JOHN 15:1-8](#).

What are the four components of the metaphor that Jesus uses in these verses?

Write a definition of what those four components mean.

How do each of the components work with and affect one another?

How does this metaphor help us to better understand fruit bearing in the kingdom of God?

What are some things that hinder us from connecting to the vine?

READ [JAMES 2:14-26](#).

According to this passage, if a believer is truly connected to the vine, what sort of "fruit" manifests in their life?

What are some steps you can take to be more connected to God?

How would being more connected to other believers help you in this process?

FAITH IN ACTION

It is our desire to see the members of our Small Groups serve in their communities. Serving in your community is a way for you and your Group to be His light. It is often noted, "Preach always, and if necessary, use words." The point is that we are walking witnesses of our relationship with Jesus as we become His hands and feet to the world.

In the next few weeks, plan an outing with your Small Group to serve somewhere. It could be with TrueNorth, or it could be in the community. Serving together not only strengthens our relationships, but shows Him as a powerful force to the world.