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“Observations and Principles to Abiding” John 15

Observation #1 The purpose of the vine is to _____.

Observation #2 The _____ are the instrument through which fruit is produced.

Observation #3 These branches only bear fruit in union with _____.

Observation #4 The _____ is the gardener, who tends the vine.

Observation #5 The _____ is the instrument which the Father uses to tend the vine.

Principle #1 When we abide in Christ, we _____.

Principle #2 When we abide in Christ, we _____ with God’s desires in mind.

Principle #3 When we abide in Christ, we _____ God.

Principle #4 When we abide in Christ, we love _____.

Principle #5 When we abide in Christ, we love _____.

Principle #6 When we abide in Christ, we keep His _____.

Principle #7 When we abide in Christ, we have great _____.

Principle #8 When we abide in Christ, we will face _____.

Principle #9 When we abide in Christ, we are His _____.

Discussion Questions:

- How do you interpret the role of the “vinedresser” (Father) and what does it mean to be “pruned” (John 15:2)? Can you share a time you felt pruned?
- How does this passage redefine what it means to be “successful” or “productive” in the Christian life?
- Does “whatever you wish” that “will be done for you” (15:7) include luxury houses, cars, etc.? Explain.
- What does it mean to love your neighbor as yourself?

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