



I am the Vine

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Introduction:

- “I am” statements of Jesus
- Garden dream summer

I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:5

Connected to the Vine

1. Staying connected produces _____

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Galatians 5:22-23

2. Being disconnected produces _____

If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.

John 15:6

3. How do we _____ connected to the vine?

Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome.

1 John 5:3

If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love...

John 15:10

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

John 15:12

My Fruit Evaluation:

Next Steps:

- I will Read John 15:1-17 this week
- I will ask a friend (_____) this week to evaluate my spiritual fruit
- I commit to get/stay connected to Jesus with a daily relationship and obeying his commands
- I will pray and mediate about my connection to God this week
- _____