

JOHN 15

5/3/23

- Tonight – Opportunity to give a Bible study
 - Last week – John 14
 - Title tonight – John 15
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- John 15:1-8 – The Son of God is the True Vine

John 15:1 Son is the true vine – Father is the vinedresser (gardener)
2 every branch in Me that does NOT bear fruit = He takes away – and every
 branch that bears fruit = pruned (that it may bear more fruit
3 you are already clean – from the word that He spoke
4 abide in the Son and the Son in you – as the branch cannot bear fruit of
 itself, neither can you bear fruit, unless you abide in Me
5 I am the vine, you are the branches – if we abide with the Son, we can
 bear
 much fruit – without the Son, we can do nothing
6 if anyone does not abide in the Son, he is cast out (as a branch that withers
 and is burned in the fire)
7 “ask what you desire” – if abide in the Son and if His words abide in you,
 you will ask what you desire, and it will be done for you
16 “whatever you ask the Father in My name” – you did not choose Me, but
 I chose you (and instructed you to bear fruit) – “whatever you
 ask?”
James 4:2-3 you do not have, because you do not ask – you ask and do not receive,
 because you ask amiss (to spend it on your pleasures)
John 15:8 Father glorified – when you bear much fruit

- John 15:9-10 – The Son of God kept the Father’s instructions

John 15:9 Father loved Son – Son loved disciples – abide in His love
10 Son kept Father’s instructions – we should keep Son’s instructions

- John 15:11-17 – The Son of God gave an instruction – to love one another

John 15:11 that your joy may remain in you
12 instruction – that you love one another as the Son has loved you
13 lay down one’s life for his friends
14 you are the Son’s friend = follow the Son’s instruction
15 not servants, friends – what He heard from Father, passed it on to them
16 you did not choose Me – I chose you, to bear fruit
16 (second part of verse – mentioned earlier at verse 7)
17 reiterated – love one another

- John 15:18-25 – Dealing with the world’s “hatred” toward you

John 15:18 if the world hates you, you know that it hated Me – (before it hated you)
 19 you are not of the world – I chose you out of the world
 20 if they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you
 21 they will do for My name’s sake – they did not know the Father
 22 ignorance = excuse.....heard the Son = no excuse
 23-24 hate the Son = hate the Father
 25 “they hated Me without a cause” – Psalm 69:4

- John 15:26 – The Son of God promised the power of the Holy Spirit

John 15:26 “comforter” or “helper” – “whom” – “he” will testify of Me
 John 14:16 “comforter” or “helper” – that will abide with you forever
 26 “comforter” or “helper” – “he” will teach you
 John 16:7 “comforter” or “helper” – “whom” – I will send “him”
 Rev. 2 & 3 personification – written like the Spirit is talking
 he who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit “says”
 Revelation 2:7.....2:11.....2:17.....2:29.....3:6.....3:13.....3:22

“parakletos” – #3875 – John 14:16; John 14:26; John 15:26; John 16:7
 “paraklesis” – #3874 – 2 Cor. 1:3

2 Cor. 1:3 the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ – Father of mercies, God of all comfort
 Acts 2:33 the Father promised the Holy Spirit – He poured it out
 36 God has made this Jesus (whom you crucified) both Lord and Christ
 2 Cor. 1:21-22 God – has sealed us – has given us the Spirit in our hearts
 Eph. 1:13-14 sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise
 1 Thes. 4:8 people reject God – who has given us His Holy Spirit
 2 Tim. 1:6-7 laying on of hands – spirit of power, of love and of a sound mind

- John 15:27 – Disciples would bear witness – with Him from beginning

John 15:27 you will also bear witness, because you have been with Me from the
 beginning
 Acts 1:22 replacement apostle – witness of the resurrection