

“Making My Life A Ministry”
A Study in the Practical Meaning of Ephesians 2:10

04 – The Believer’s Call to Much Fruit Bearing – John 15

In Class Bible Study

1. Read John 15:1-8. What is the branch (disciple) supposed to do in relationship to the vine (Jesus Christ)?

How is he supposed to do this? What does Jesus mean?

Why is this important for the disciple to do this?

2. Read John 15:9-12. Jesus gives an initial command based on his own example (vs 9). What is it?

What is the consequence of keeping Jesus commands (plural)?

What is Jesus’ aim with respect to obedience?

What is the second command that Jesus gives (vs 12)?

3. Read John 15:16, 26-27 (read the whole section; focus on these verses). Jesus chose his disciples and gave them a commission.

They are to bear what?

Along with the Holy Spirit, they are to do what?

Reflections on John 15:

1. There is a relationship progression in this chapter for the disciple that has three parts. What are they?

1st - The disciple's relationship to _____

2nd - The disciple's relationship to _____

3rd - The disciple's relationship to _____

2. In vs 8 Jesus presents an Identity-Purpose statement concerning discipleship.

What constitutes the believer's identity?

What is the believer's life purpose (and goal)?

What is the believer told to do as the ministry means for achieving this purpose and demonstrating the believer's identity?

3. How does the *means* given in vs 8 relate to the three relationships of the disciple's life?