

2 Basket of grape branches

Define Fruit - He does the Producing

1. ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MY ONLY PURPOSE IN THAT JESUS MIGHT BEAR FRUIT THROUGH ME.

of fruit: outward expression of inward nature.

(1) Apart from fruit-bearing, I can't justify my existence in God's sight. VS 2,6

(2) The wood of the vine was useless; the law says that it wasn't even to be used in the fire for sacrifices... Can't even burn decently, too soft for use in building. The only thing it's good for is to bear the fruit the VINE PRODUCES...

why gimmicks? = Don't have to be holy to use gimmicks

1. Fruitfulness is proof of our union w/ X
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2. MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE TO THE VINE FOR THAT PURPOSE. We don't do the producing, just the bearing

(1) Place myself at His disposal and allow Him to use me as He sees fit. Failure

(2) The responsibility is on the VINE, not the Branch... the responsibility for producing... MY PART IS SIMPLY TO BE AVAILABLE. = Rest in Him

(3) Let Jesus love through my heart, pray through my voice, etc.

ILL-- OF WATER FAUCET --available

Branches are grape-racks & used to hang grapes on

II. "MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU."

This means two things;

only Believe what you Obey! Heb 3:18, 19

1. HIS WORDS CONTROL US -- Obedience I John 3:22

Abide: "Dwell permanently" Heart a HOME for the Word, not a HOTEL -- check out time 12 noon Sunday!!!

~~HOSEA~~ HOSEA: "My words as a stranger." Had no voice in the affairs of their life.

Is there a command you aren't obeying?

Don't Ask God to do anything that you wouldn't be willing for Him to do through you.



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1. ABANDONMENT TO THE PURPOSE of X

- Brand new life
- ① Proof

2 - APPETITE for the PERSON of X = Goal of the Christian life is Jesus

3 - AVAILABLE to the PLAN of X

2 - "Thy gifts alone cannot suffice...

unless they be given

For Thy presence makes my paradise

And where Thou art is heaven."

Here is the Goal

- Down + on the other side

- Light + what you see

- way + what you find at the end of life

2. HIS WORDS CLEANSE US Vs. 1-3

(1) Cut away that which is useless...it;s just so much wood, taking up space and using up sap

(2) What is needed isn't MORE BRANCHES, but HEALTHIER BRANCHES

(3) When you prune, you are reducing the WOOD, LESS WOOD, but more FRUIT. When there is less of me, there's more fruit.

Tear up I.O.U. ←
(4) The Pruning shears: The Word of God... OBEDIENCE TO THE WORD. As I pray, read the WORD, I obey...that's how God cleanses my life.

Matt. 5:23ff

(5) NOTICE WHO DOES THE PRUNING. VS1. "MY Father is the Husbandman. You don't have to worry about the pruning.

Once you yield to Christ as a BRANCH, the Father will see to it you're able to pray. JUST YIELD TO THE BLADE.

BEFORE YOU CAN PRAY, THERE ARE SOME THINGS THE FATHER WANTS TO PRUNE FROM YOUR LIFE. ARE YOU WILLING TO LET HIM PUT THE SHEARS TO YOUR LIFE AND MAKE YOU FRUITFUL IN PRAYER.

to make us fruitful, must get some saps into the branches

*Pay the Price of Effectual Praying
24 - George Pay at Pastor's Retreat - "Wasn't Thinking
of churchmembers needed to be pruned - it was Him!"
Pastor, your church's problem isn't Deacon So-so, it's You!*



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opening Fellowship - sharing a common life -

I Consciousness of Sin -

we walking in life = see our sin

Sin in the believer - not absence but attitude

Rule + Exception - 1 John 3 = a dilemma debater

2 Self-examination in life of O's word

10- Self-exposure to the life

1-Honesty

2-Holiness

II. - Confess

1-to O

2-to others - walking in life - openness, truth

hidden, no deception - wives & husbands

Lev 6:2+7

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