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Producing Fruit Vine Vision Part 2 John 15

John 15:1-5 "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit. 3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. 5 I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

Three Elements of the Life that Bears Fruit

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Hebrews 13:2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.

I Peter 4:8-9 Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaint.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

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Luke 18:16-17 But Jesus called for them, saying, "Permit the children to come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it at all."

Main Point:

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!

If you are interested in learning more about discipleship consider taking the Partner Class this fall. It will begin on Oct 15.

- 1. How do I experience the hospitality of God? When do I feel welcome in God's presence? How can I extend God's hospitality to others?
- 2. Where/How is my faith rooted in Jesus? In Scripture? In the Biblical means of grace? In the historic faith?
- 3. Where/How is my faith relevant to my everyday life? My work? My relationship? My finances? My leisure life?
 - 4. When do I feel like a child of God? What does that feel like? How could I help other people become children of God?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/Pastor Todd about your relationship with Christ, please email *pastortodd@thevineva.ora* or call 703-573-5836 to set up an appointment.