

b. God uses His _____ to clean us so we will be better at bearing fruit.

John 15:3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

- It doesn't clean just because we hear it or read it; it only cleans as we _____ it and _____ it.

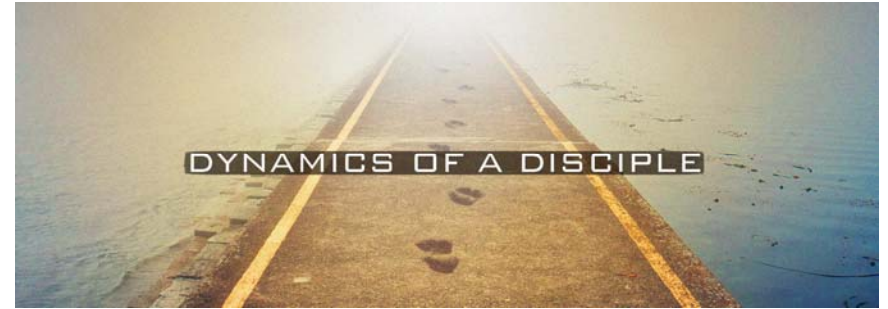
c. The secret to bearing fruit is _____ in Christ.

John 15:4-5 *Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, **except ye abide in me.** 5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: **He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.***

- Abiding is being _____ to Christ through our time with him.
 - We are connected to him through our relationship to the _____.
 - We are connected to him through our time in _____.
- I believe that the best indicator of our spirituality may be _____, even over Bible.
 - Prayer maybe the single _____ link we have.

“Consecration is really the setting apart of oneself to a life of prayer. It means not only to pray, but to pray habitually, and to pray more affectively.”
—E. M. Bounds

- It is evident that abiding is not some type of _____ relationship.



MIDWEEK SERVICE | THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

Disciples Accept Requirements XIV

REVIEW

8. The Requirement of Longevity

Acts 14:21-22 *And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch, 22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to **continue in the faith**, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.*

But just what should we be faithful to?

- Church Services
- Personal Devotions
- Serving Others
- Financial Giving
- Soul Winning
- Spiritual Growth

NEW LESSON

- Fellow _____

Acts 2:42 *And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.*

Hebrews 10:24-25 *And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.*

- Fellowship amongst Christians is vital, especially as the world gets _____ and attacks against the Christian faith grow.
- Fellowship is more than just hanging around each other.
 - Fellowship is based on _____ beliefs, values, and direction.
 - And so, fellowship encourages the continual _____ of those beliefs, values and direction.
- _____ Living

2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.*

- When we trusted Christ, **we became a completely _____ person.**
- Being a new person means **that we will live a _____ way.**

Ephesians 4:22-24 *That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.*

- An inconsistently _____ Christian is not a victorious Christian.

9. The Requirement of _____

John 15:8 *Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.*

- Fruit is a _____ outgrowth that occurs in the life of a Christian that has a _____ relationship with God.
 - It is the fruit of the _____ that we live our life.

- It is the fruit of the _____ of God that show themselves in our life.
 - It is the fruit that we see in our _____ for God.
 - Fruit is the _____ evidence of God's _____ working in my life.
 - John 15 is the chapter about fruit. **We will only follow its principles and truths as we are _____ followers of Christ.**
- John 15:16** *Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.*
- It is God's _____ that we have fruit, His plan for us.

John chapter 15 gives us many of the principles about God bearing fruit in our life.

John 15:1-8 *I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. 2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. 3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. 5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. 6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. 7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. 8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.*

a. Our level of fruit bearing determines Gods' _____ with us.

John 15:2 *Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.*