



# DIGGING DEEPER

## John 15: Jesus the Life Giver

This past weekend was Mother's Day! Not only did we spend some time appreciating moms, but we also looked at what it meant to abide in Christ. Our study this week is all about taking a moment to address what needs to be pruned and to grow in our lives.

» **LEADER NOTE:** One of the main takeaways from this season of small groups should be encouraging your group members to take what they read and respond through the way they live. Make sure to encourage application and response in your reading, discussion, and prayer.

## DISCUSS

Using the SOAP method, read through John 15. Share your observations with your group.

**OPENING QUESTION:** What is your favorite memory of you and your mom or what quality do you want to have as a mother that you have observed or admired in someone else?

1. In Jesus' monologue he makes a claim about who he is and what his role in our life is. What is Jesus in the process of doing for all believers? How is this true for you?
2. How does having a healthy perspective of how Jesus might be trying to grow us change our ability to respond to situations in our lives? How have you been responding to challenges in your life lately?
3. How can you take verse 17 and apply it in your life right now? Who do you need to love more acutely this week?

## PRAY

Ask everyone in your group to share an area that they might need to prune and an area that they should be trying to grow in. Then spend some time in prayer over these things. Afterwards begin to discuss how your group could serve together this life group season. We are already halfway through this session and planning a service project soon is critical to accomplishing it as a group.

### THE SOAP BIBLE STUDY METHOD



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#### SCRIPTURE

Work through the text slowly getting a picture of the entire context

# O

#### OBSERVATION

What observations do you see in the narrative or events?

# A

#### APPLICATION

How do you think this applied to people contextually and today?

# P

#### PRAYER

Ask God to use what you've read to deepen your relationship with him.

