



**THE Xponential BRANCH**

**WEEK 9**  
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**BEARING FRUIT** Part 5  
**SELF-SACRIFICE**

John 15:1-5 / Galatians 5:22-23

As a seed that is alone dies and becomes a tree with fruit-bearing branches, so also did Christ die and become a risen Savior, providing forgiveness and restoration to each one of us. He is no longer alone because He receives us to Himself.

Now, we are the branches that can bear much fruit. Every act of LOVE we demonstrate to others is fruit that **contains** within it a **seed** with the potential to penetrate the heart and bring them into the LOVE found only in Christ.

**SELF-SACRIFICE:** the giving up of one's own interests, wishes or possessions in order to help others.

Christ gave His life for us. We must now carry the **mission** forward exponentially to more people by loving sacrificially as Christ did, putting the needs of others before ourselves. Branches don't eat their own fruit! Their nourishment comes from the vine, as ours comes from Christ. Your fruit is not for you, but is meant to be **given away**. As you give and serve others, the seed of self-sacrifice is sown in their hearts and you can pray and trust that God will bring the **Exponential** increase (1 Corinthians 3:6-7).

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**FACTORPOINTS:**



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