



7-WEEK STUDY

on the seven **I Am** statements of Jesus

WEEK 7

Discussion Guide

I AM THE VINE

John 15:5

To those who had failed repeatedly, I was redemption. **I still am.**





WEEKLY READING

Primary text from this week: John 15:1-17

Secondary texts from this week: John 14:1-15;27 (These passages should ideally be read together.)

GETTING STARTED

Goals for this session: To better understand Jesus' statement "I am the vine."

Missed the sermon? Watch it at www.youtube.com/venturamissionary

Break the Ice: Where did you see God this week? Where di you NOT see God this week?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Read John 15:1-17 and John 14:1-15;27.** What strikes you or stands out to you about these passages?
2. How do you see the role of the Holy Spirit, promised in chapter 14, fleshed out or fulfilled in the work of abiding described in chapter 15?
3. Pastor Brian broke the passage up into two sections: 1) Position and 2) Production. How does our position assure our production?
4. Pastor Brian mentioned that "fruit" looks like answered prayer and loving one another. How can fruit be difficult when the most loving thing is to say something hard to a loved one?
5. Pastor Brian had three points at the end of Sunday's message. The final point was, "If obedience is how we abide, then discernment is how we grow." How would taking more time to discern our decisions and word choice look like growth in our relationship with God?

