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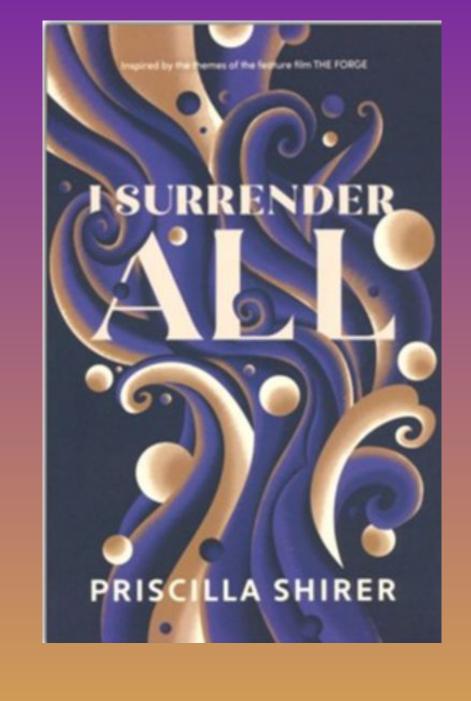
Chapter 2:

# Kingdom Woman:



John 15:4-5

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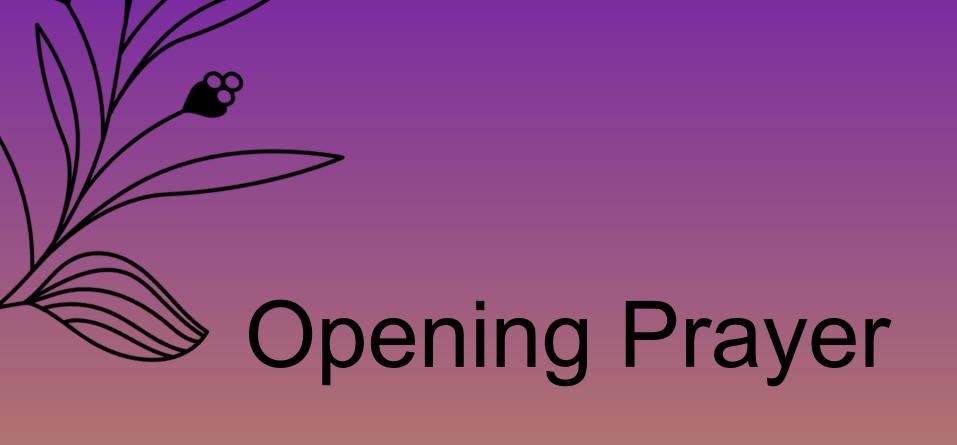


#### Welcome, Introduction &

### Opening Remarks















### Scripture

"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.

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."

## Introduction

#### I Surrender All

"All or Nothing"

A story about "access"





### Introduction

Give God All or Nothing - Surrender your All to Him

## Key Point:

- Saved Life vs. Surrendered Life
- We asked Jesus to come in as Savior but not as Lord

## Scriptures:

Romans 12:1-2 and John 15:4-5





## True Discipleship

#### **True Discipleship**

The kind Jesus defined and described in Luke 9:23 - where we deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Him - is impossible without one thing: being in right relationship with Him. Not just in a saved relationship with Him but in an ongoing, every day, all-the-time connection - A relationship where His power is constantly flowing through us, enabling us to walk in holiness and victory.

The Scriptures describe the essence of this sacred alignment with one comprehensive word: abide. *Abide in Me, and I in you John 15:4.* In seven simple words, Jesus described the key to victorious, fruitful living and pinpointed the primary focus and pursuit of the disciple: **Abide in Me. Stay connected to Me. Focus on maintaining your alignment with Me.** 





### Connection

To be a true disciple of Jesus Christ and to be in RIGHT relationship with Him, you must be CONNECTED.

How do I establish connection?

Access + Abide + Alignment = Connection

1- Give God Access

2- Abide in Christ

3- Stay in Alignment with Him





## Give God Access

You give the Lord unhindered access by giving up the things in your life that block you from having a full, authentic, true and honest relationship with Him.

All the plans, the affinities, relationships, comforts, the likes, the loves, all the things!

#### Questions to ponder:

- 1. Are you giving God full access in your life?
- 2. What things in your life are you holding back that may be hindering you from having a true, authentic and honest relationship with Jesus Christ?

#### How do I Give God Access?

#### Matthew 6:33 (NLT)

33 Seek the Kingdom of God[a] above all else, and live righteously, and **He will give you everything** you need.

Psalm 37:5a (NLT) - Commit everything you do to the Lord.
Trust Him, and He will help you.





Galatians 2:20 (NLT) - My old self has been crucified with Christ.[a] It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.





#### John 15:4-5

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God is the Vine-dresser, Jesus is the Vine, The Believer is the branches,

The Holy Spirit produces the fruit







John 15:4 - Abide in Me and I in you - In seven simple words, Jesus described the key for victorious, fruitful living and pinpointed the primary focus and pursuit of the disciple. Abide in me. Stay connected to me. Focus on maintaining your alignment with Me. - Our goal is to cultivate a deeper, richer, and more steadfast friendship with the Lord today than we had the day before, staying surrendered to him, remaining obedient to Him. This is how the door to discipleship suddenly opens wide for us and the drive to follow Him is constantly inspired within us.





## Abide in Christ

- Abiding means to remain, reside or hang out with.
- Abiding is an essential part of the Christian relationship
- Abiding is having a close, consistent, life-giving relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Abiding is a connection with the vine (Jesus Christ)
- When you abide, you can bear fruit and more fruit





Bearing fruit refers to having a productive Christian life. A Christian who is bearing good fruit will.......

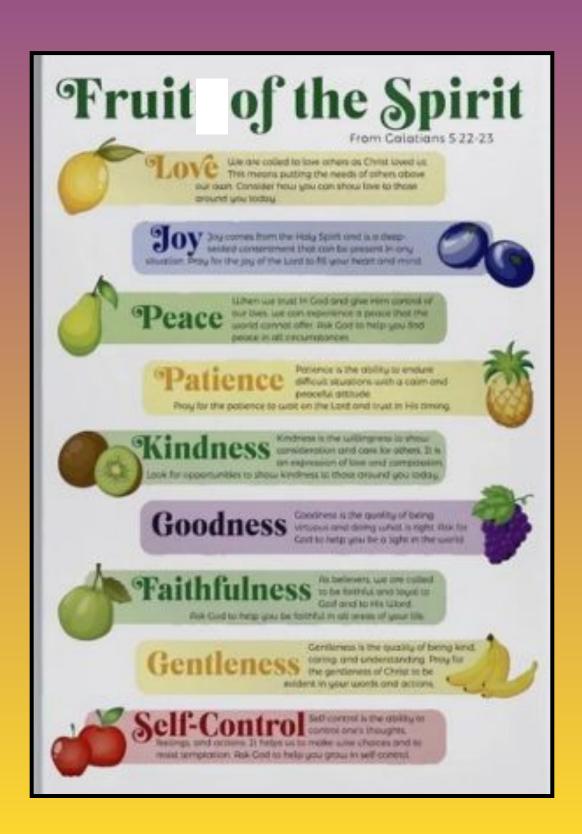
- 1. Grow in the character of Christ
- 2. Bring God Glory
- 3. Be a benefit to others

#### **3 Characteristics of Fruit**

- 1. Fruit always bears the character of the one of which it is a part
- 2. Fruit is visible
- 3. Fruit always exist for the benefit of somebody else.



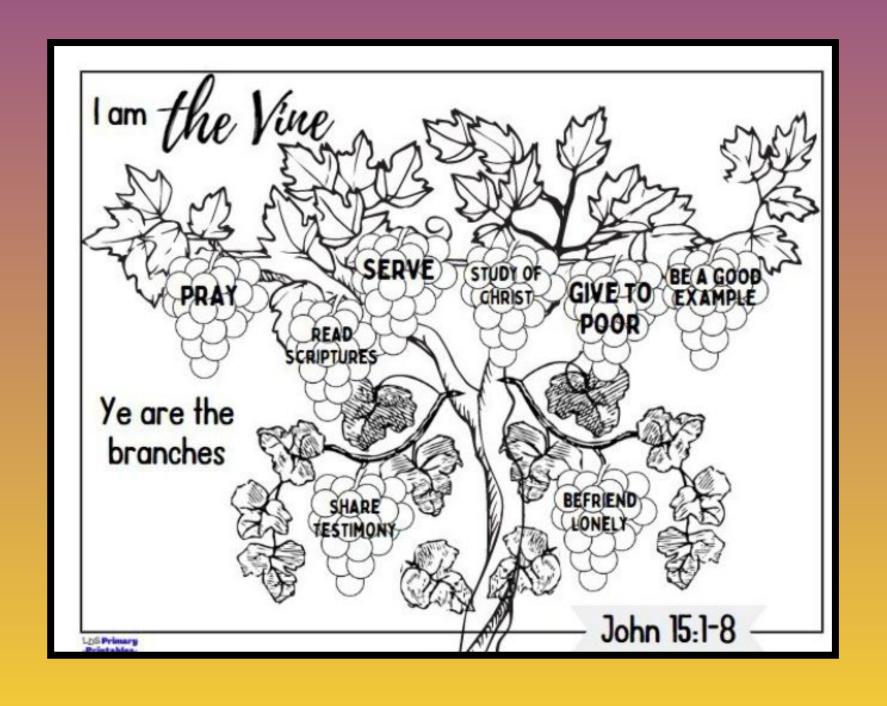
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#### Galatians 5:22-23 (NLT)

"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. There is no law against these things."

#### Abide in Christ



Question to ponder.....
As a Christian woman,
What fruit are you
producing?

## Stay in Alignment

What is alignment for a Christian woman?



Alignment is a position of the heart.

Having your heart postured and aligned with God.

Aligning your thoughts, actions, and desires with God's purposes and commands, seeking to live a life that reflects His character and His glory.

## Stay in Alignment



As a Christian woman, how do I stay in alignment with God?

- Renew the mind with the Word of God daily: Saturate yourself in His Word. Meditate on the word of God. Think on things that are true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, and commendable (2 Tim 3:16-17, Luke 11:28, Isaiah 40:8, Philippians 4:8).
- Obey God's Word: Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves (James 1:22).
- Pray and commune with God daily: Communicate with God, seek His guidance, and align your desires with His. Spend time with Him, hang out with Him. (Philippians 4:6-7).





#### Alignment brings connection

As a Christian woman, how do I stay in alignment with God?

- Walk in the Spirit: Yield to the Holy Spirit's leading and allow Him to produce His fruit in your life (Galatians 5:16).
- Conformity to Christ's Image: True discipleship, learn from the great Teacher, become more like Christ, reflecting His character and glory (Romans 8:29).



# Closing & Summary



#### I Surrender All

#### Verse 1

All to Jesus, I surrender; all to Him, I freely give; I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live

#### Verse 2

All to Jesus, I surrender; humbly at His feet, I bow, Worldly pleasures all forsaken; take me, Jesus, take me now

#### Verse 3

All to Jesus, I surrender; make me, Savior, wholly Thine; Let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou art mine.

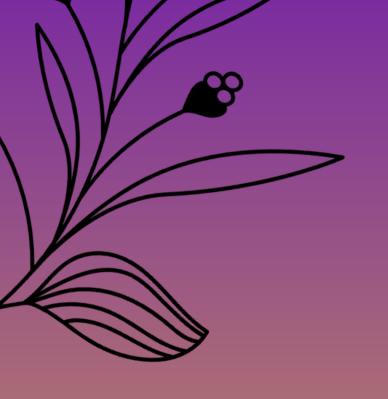
#### Verse 4

All to Jesus, I surrender; Lord, I give myself to Thee; Fill me with Thy love and power; Let Thy blessing fall on me.

#### Chorus

I surrender all, I surrender all, All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.





### May God Bless and Keep

You Is My Prayer

