

"I AM the True Vine and you are the branches. If you abide in me, you will bear a lot of fruit.

As the branches can't bear grapes without the vine, apart from Me, you can do NOTHING."



To Abide means to hang out with.

To build **STRONG** Relationships in life, you must continuously make an effort to spend time with that person.

If you want to be successful and make a difference in life, you must make an effort to hang out with Christ.

In order to abide with Christ, you need:

Awareness

Christ is always present with you. Even in your **DARKEST** hours, crying tears that no one else sees.

He wants to be in community with you.

Attention

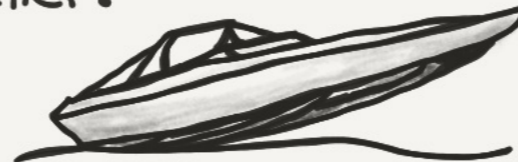
Your focus needs to be on Christ, but life distracts you.



Our focus should be on Christ, who fills us - not people and things that fail us.

Affections

Our hearts are prone to wandering to things that truly don't matter.



Our affections need to be on Him, but that will not happen without time, attention, and awareness.

Then and **ONLY** then will the "fruit" of what He has for you will begin to grow.

