

I AM

JESUS IN HIS OWN WORDS

The True Vine

Week 7 | John 15:1-17

Jesus Christ makes seven "I am" statements, recorded in the Gospel of John, that reveal to us his mission for the world, his love for his people, and his passion for his **glory**.

Gospel Communities are a people that are sharing **Christ** and **life** with one another.

These communities are designed to foster a family-like environment through the means of eating together, praying for each other, and sharing our lives with one another.

At the same time, Gospel Communities are purposefully centered on the gospel, as it is the gospel that provides all measures of growth. Therefore, as you read the passage of Scripture, be sure to note how this text connects with the rest of the Bible and points to the good news of Jesus Christ.

BEFORE YOU START

Pray for God to illuminate his word, guide the conversation, and stir our souls.

What does it mean to have a relationship with Jesus?

Read **John 15:1-17**.

Summarize the passage in your own words. How does this text connect to the gospel? What else stands out to you?



What does it mean to abide in Christ? What does Jesus say are the causes and effects of abiding in him?



Read Galatians 5:22-23. How have you experienced the fruit of abiding in Christ? How is abiding in him going in your life right now?



What are the things that hinder you from abiding in Christ more fully? How can you adjust your schedule in order to prioritize time with him?

BEFORE YOU'RE SENT

What is God teaching you? What are you going to do about it? How can we help?

How can we pray for you? For your neighbors?