



Connected to
Jesus

John 15:1-11

I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit. You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. Remain in Me, and I in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit of itself but must remain in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you remain in Me.

I am the vine, you are the branches; the one who remains in Me, and I in him bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. If anyone does not remain in Me, he is thrown away like a branch and dries up; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

If you remain in Me, and My words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples.

Just as the Father has loved Me, I also have loved you; remain in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will remain in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and remain in His love.

These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and *that* your joy may be made full.

John 8:58

Jesus said to them,

“Truly, truly I say to you, before
Abraham was born, **I am.**”

Exodus 3:14

And God said to Moses,

“I AM WHO I AM”;

and He said, “This is what you shall say
to the sons of Israel:

‘I AM has sent me to you.’”



Psalm 80:8-9

You removed a vine from Egypt;
You drove out the nations and planted
it.

You cleared *the ground* before it,
And it took deep root and filled the
land.

Isaiah 5:1-2, 7

My loved one had a vineyard
on a fertile hillside.
He dug it up and cleared it of stones
and planted it with the choicest
vines.
He built a watchtower in it
and cut out a winepress as well.
Then he looked for a crop of good
grapes,
but it yielded only bad fruit.....

The vineyard of the Lord Almighty
is the nation of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are the vines he delighted in.



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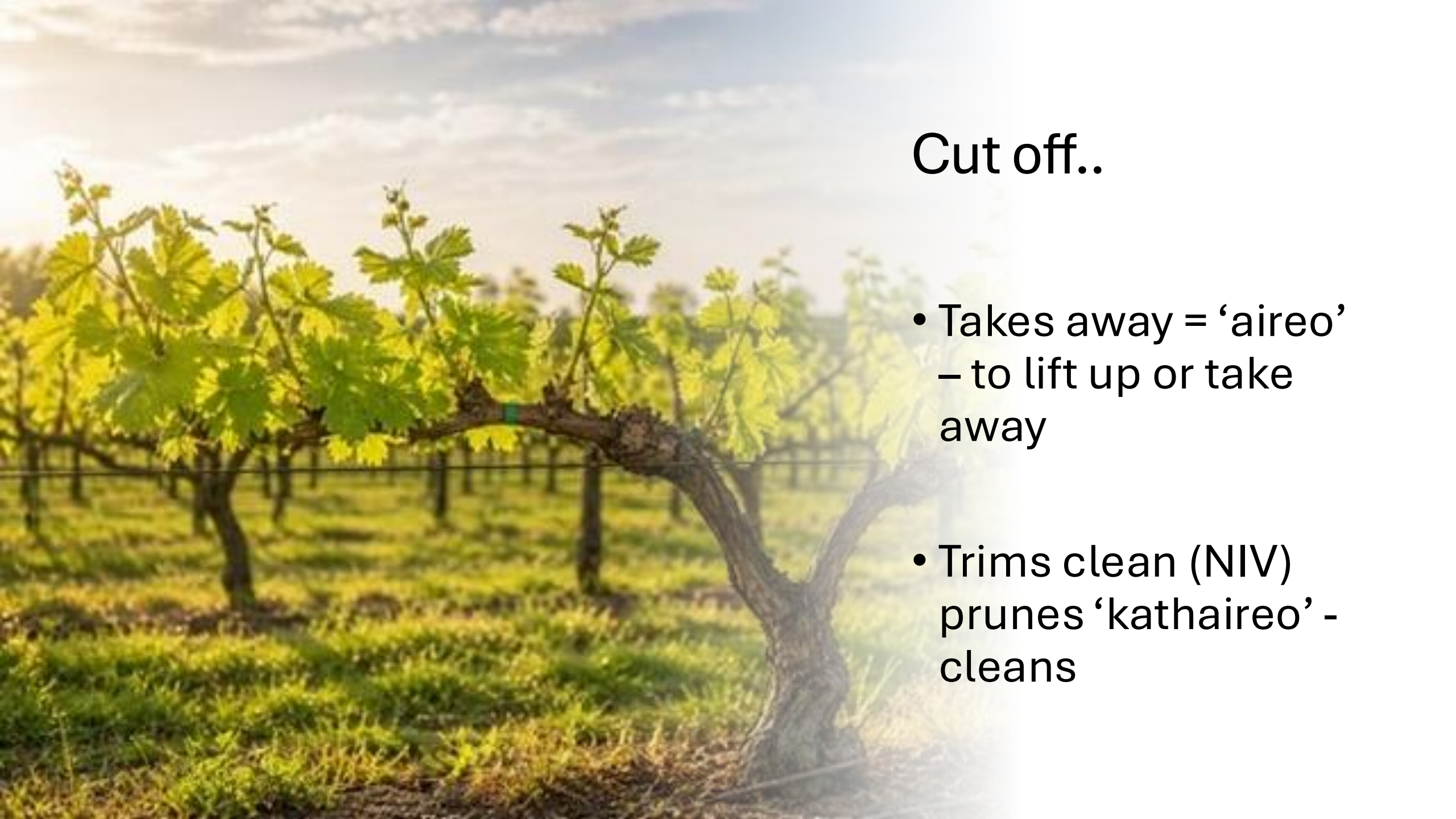
Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away (v.2)

If anyone does not remain in Me, he is thrown away like a branch and dries up; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. (v.6)



.....and every *branch* that
bears fruit, He prunes it so
that it may bear more fruit
(v.2)



A photograph of a vineyard with rows of grapevines. The vines have green leaves and some small clusters of grapes. The sky is blue with white clouds. The image is slightly blurred, giving it a soft, artistic feel.

Cut off..

- Takes away = ‘aireo’
– to lift up or take away
- Trims clean (NIV)
prunes ‘kathaireo’ -
cleans

What is this fruit?

A life that reflects
the life of Jesus -

Good character

Good works

Good words



joy