



## **ABIDE Weekly Devotions: Week Four**

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“If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.” **John 15: 7-8 ESV**

Not gonna lie, John 15:7 is a tough one for me. I strive daily to remain in Christ, to live in and with Him. I am constantly in His word and His prayers are on my lips and in my heart.

Yet - it happens. I pray and ask for healing or movement and I don't see transformation. And I wonder, 'Why?' God says clearly, “ask whatever you wish, and it will be given to you.”



But, how many times have we asked for healing, yet suffering continues? Asked for a miracle, yet death comes? Asked for loved ones to be saved, yet we see no change? Asked for an addiction to cease, yet there is no ceasing? Asked for a baby, yet the belly remains barren?

And we are stuck with this 'Why Lord?' in our throats, in our minds, and in our hearts.

So where do we go in those moments of wonder and frustration, when we arrive at a truth we cannot fully understand?

**We pray.**

*God, I pray for you to send your Holy Spirit to work in me strongly. To fill me with wisdom and to remind me that you are so good, Father. Because even though some prayers feel unanswered, there are many more where I can see your hand in restoration. I do see healing. I do see miracles taking place. I have seen your hand and your greater plans for me time and time again. Help me to not forget who you are.*

*I know you are Truth. I know you do not waver. I vow to believe your words. I vow to trust you. I vow to continue to let you lead my life.*

*Lord, your ways are higher than our ways and your thoughts higher than our thoughts. Help me to accept that I don't have to have you all figured out. I just need to trust you Lord. And God, I do find great joy knowing that, regardless of the 'outcome', you my Father are glorified by my faith and perseverance.*

*Amen.*

