

VOYAGE CHURCH

LIVE THE LOVE

Sermon Discussion Questions
Who is Jesus? The 7 I AM Statements of Jesus
Part 6: The True Vine

Opening Discussion/Ice Breaker: Have you ever been chosen for a special task, in school, at work, on a sports team, or in some other setting? How did it make you feel to be asked to play a unique role, or be chosen for a particular team?

Read John 15:1-17

1. What struck you the most in this passage?
2. What is this fruit that Jesus references? (Read Philippians 1:9-11 & Gal 5:22-23a)
3. The image of “Vine” is full of implications we couldn’t impact completely during the message. Take a couple of minutes to think through each aspect of Jesus’ analogy and how it relates to actual life. What does it mean:

To be a branch of the vine?

To remain in him?

To be cut off? Lifted Up?

To wither and be burned?

To be pruned?

To produce fruit/ much fruit?

To be cleansed by the message?

To bring glory to the Father?

Application

4. Describe a time when we as a church or you as an individual went through a session of pruning. How did your pruning equip you or the church to bear greater fruit?
5. How do you feel knowing that Jesus “chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last”? (Vs. 16)

6. **Take an extra Step:** How can we ensure we are living our lives dependent upon the Spirit of Jesus and not on our own strength?

7. How can we pray for you?