

GRADUATION

Sermon Discussion Questions - May 17 & 19, 2024

Graduation Week

John 15:1-11

Serve SOIL 2024

Serve Soll is Saturday, June 8th! Watch the Cornerstone Website for Project Registration this week! You can check out more info at [cornerstone church/serveSOIL](https://cornerstonechurch.com/serveSOIL).

Cornerstone Men

More than just pancakes and devotions, Cornerstone Men exists to build a community of men who face the challenges of life together and learn to follow Jesus more closely through action and shared experiences.

cornerstonechurch.com/community/men

RightNow Media

Cornerstone provides access to RightNow Media, so if your group would like to use their resources for a study, check out the site!

rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/cornerstonesi

Cornerstone Women

Cornerstone Women's mission is to help women follow Jesus through growth in community at Cornerstone Church.

cornerstonechurch.com/community/women

Meal for Celebrate Recovery

Each week, a small group provides dinner for those in attendance at Celebrate Recovery. If your group is interested in serving in this way, email Gayle at gdwright@cornerstone.team

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Questions:

- Read John 15:1-11. Wasn't it a blessing to celebrate the graduates this Sunday? As we reflect on their journey, it's a reminder that we face new experiences that challenge our beliefs. We may think we've overcome these challenges, but in reality, we encounter daily tests to our faith that urge us to rely on something other than God.
 - What aspect of your life, be it a belief, value, goal, or desire, often tempts you to prioritize it over abiding in Him? How does this choice impact your decisions and your relationship with God?
- Think of a person who owns their relationship with God. What is their relationship with God like? What do they say or do that makes you think they are secure in their faith? What is their demeanor like towards those around them?

- When we choose to abide in God, we bring Him glory! But what does it truly mean to abide in Him? What should our daily, moment-to-moment actions look like if we are to find our rest in Him? And in what ways does God receive glory when we choose to dwell in His presence?
- In John 15, Jesus paints a beautiful picture of the Church. He compares Himself to the main stem of a vine, and he calls us the branches. He states that we will be trimmed away or pruned to make us more productive. How has this idea played out in your life? How has he pruned the unfruitful branches in your life? How did it allow you to be more fruitful?
- We have all, at times, placed our faith in something other than God. We look to our career, money, relationships, or something else for joy and security. What is that thing for you? What results from placing your hope in a worldly savior rather than the heavenly savior? Does it ever truly satisfy your need for security? How do you treat those around you while serving your worldly savior?
- Jesus gives us what we are all searching for when we are connected in a deeply intimate relationship with him. He gives us love, joy, peace, and hope, which produces the fruits of the Spirit in us. How has placing your faith in Jesus led you to love others well?