



DISCUSSION GUIDE

Part 1 of Abide

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1. Confront Connection (John 15:1)

Discuss:

- *How does understanding God as the vinedresser change how you see His involvement in your life?*
- *In what ways do people sometimes try to “connect” to other vines besides Jesus for life or fulfillment?*
- *How can you evaluate whether your current “connections” are helping or hindering your spiritual growth?*

2. Celebrate Correction (John 15:2)

Discuss:

- *How do you typically respond to God’s correction or pruning in your life?*
- *Why do you think Jesus wants us to “celebrate” pruning instead of fearing it?*
- *Can you think of a time when God removed or changed something in your life that ultimately produced growth?*

3. Continue Commitment (John 15:4)

Discuss:

- *What does “abiding in Jesus” practically look like in daily life?*
- *What habits or rhythms help you stay connected to God even in busy or difficult seasons?*
- *How does trying to live apart from Jesus affect the “fruit” in our lives?*

4. Cultivate Capacity (John 15:5)

Discuss:

- *How do you recognize when you are relying on your own strength instead of His?*
- *How does abiding in Jesus expand your capacity to love, serve, or endure?*
- *Who in your life can you intentionally invest in or bless as an overflow of abiding in Him?*

