



Go, and Bear Fruit That Will Last

John 15:16-17 | July 12, 2026

The main idea:

**The fruit Jesus produces in us was
never meant to stop with us.**

John 15 isn't an effort-versus-no-effort conversation. It's about working and putting in the effort for the right thing. **Remaining requires effort. Fruit requires Jesus.**

We remain connected to Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, we bear fruit.

What fruit are you spreading, and who is it reaching?

Here's what we've answered over the last six weeks:

- » **Where does fulfillment come from?** Jesus.
- » **How do we remain connected?** By partnering with the Holy Spirit.
- » **What kind of fruit does the True Vine produce?** Fruit that lasts.
- » **Who is the fruit for?** Others.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Picnic at the Park (Women's Ministry): July 16 at 12:00 PM

Worship Arts Team Kickoff: July 26 at 5:00 PM

First Step: August 16 at 9:00 AM

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STUDY QUESTIONS

GETTING STARTED:

Share about a time when you saw something small grow into something much larger than expected. What made that growth possible?

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- » How does the metaphor of Pando, the connected aspen forest, challenge our cultural emphasis on individual achievement and self-sufficiency in the Christian life?
- » In what ways have you tried to manufacture spiritual fruit through your own effort rather than remaining connected to Jesus, and what was the result?
- » What specific distractions in your life most frequently disrupt your connection with God, and how can you guard against them?
- » Who in your life might be observing the fruit that Jesus is producing in you, and what fruit do you think they are seeing?
- » Fruit grows in us but is not only meant for us. How does this perspective shift your view of personal spiritual growth and transformation?
- » What is one area where God might be producing fruit in your life specifically so that someone else can benefit from it, and how can you intentionally share that fruit?
- » The disciples bore fruit that reached generation after generation until it reached us today. Whose spiritual legacy or fruit has impacted your faith journey, and how are you extending that legacy?
- » If you evaluated your spiritual life honestly, would you say you are putting more effort into remaining connected to Jesus or into trying to produce fruit on your own?

NEXT STEPS:

- » **Daily Connection:** Set aside 15 minutes each day to remain in Jesus through prayer and Scripture reading. Start with John 15 and ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand what it means to abide.
- » **Fruit Inventory:** Journal about the fruit you see Jesus producing in your life. Then write down 2-3 people who might benefit from that fruit and pray about how to share it with them.