



Sunday 15th February 2026

“Bearing fruit” – John 15:1-25

Remain in Jesus the true vine (v.1-8)

Keep Jesus’ command to love each other (v.9-17)

Experience rejection by the world (v.18-25)

Questions to discuss in our Growth Groups and personal reflection

Remain in Jesus the true vine (v.1-8)

What does Jesus mean by saying that he is “the true vine”?

Who is “cut off” from the vine?

Why does pruning make a plant more fruitful and how is this also the case for Christians? Why is it sometimes painful but always beneficial?

Jesus told his disciples that we can only bear fruit by remaining in him (v.4):

- How do we remain/abide in Christ?
- Can you give examples from your life of fruit that Jesus is growing?

Keep Jesus’ command to love each other (v.9-17)

What did Jesus say was the key to remaining in his love and what does it bring us (v.9-11)?

What was Jesus’ one command here and what does it involve (v.12-13)?

How can we tell if we are loving each other as Christians or not?

What is the beauty of Jesus calling his followers “friends” rather than simply “servants” (v.14-15)? Do you relate to Jesus as your friend?

Experience rejection by the world (v.18-25)

What are friends of Jesus to expect from the world (v.18-19)?

Have you experienced this? How does Jesus comfort you?

How do we bear fruit by being hated by the world?