



October 24/25, 2020
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(Annual Meeting Weekend)
John 15:1-17
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Additional Sermon Notes



Pruning is _____, but it's for
the purpose of being more _____.

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The one who _____,
is the great _____.

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(Sermon fill-in notes and Scripture references)

¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit." (John 15:1-2)

⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. (John 15:6)

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"...and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit." (John 15:2)

Pruning is **painful**, but it's for the purpose of being more **fruitful**.

⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:4-5)

ABIDE

"I have learned to kiss the wave that strikes me against the rock of ages." - Charles Spurgeon

⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. (John 15:7)

"The Holy Scriptures are our letters from home." - Augustine of Hippo

⁹As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. (John 15:9)

¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. (John 15:10)

¹² “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” (John 15:12)

²¹ ...that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. (John 17:21)

⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. (John 15:7)

ASK

⁴ *Delight* yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the *desires* of your heart. (Psalm 37:4)

⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. (John 15:8)

ANTICIPATE

“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, *because* I am going to the Father.” (John 14:12)

The one who holds the shears is the great lover of our soul.