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WEEK 15: ABIDE IN JESUS

Pastor: <u>Jesse Bradley Series</u>: <u>The One Scripture</u>: <u>John 15:1–27</u>

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Read: John Chapter 15

This passage of Scripture contains and condenses the key to a vibrant faith and relationship with God. The first call in our lives is to commune and walk closely with the Lord. The more you worship Jesus, the more you become like Him. The more you study and believe Scripture, the more you will have the mind of Christ. The more you trust Jesus, the more you will have the peace of God. The more you surrender to Jesus, the more fruit will be produced and evident in your life. Don't overcomplicate it. To abide means to remain, listen, be near, rely, and linger. Martha was hurrying and worrying, but Mary was at the feet of Jesus and chose what is better. Don't expect the world to understand and approve when you are fully devoted to the Lord. Jesus is the true vine, and we are the branches. God's grace will be sufficient for all that you will face.

Hope Point: You were made to bear much fruit.

Reflection Questions:

- 1. Why does the Father prune the branches? (John 15:1-3)
- 2. What happens when we abide with Jesus? (John 15:4-8)
- 3. How do we abide with the Lord? (John 15:9-17)
- 4. Why does the world hate devoted Christians? (John 15:18-21)
- 5. What does Jesus teach about sin? (John 15:22-27)

Who can you share this Scripture with during the upcoming week?

Prayer:

Faithful God, Your plan leaves us in awe. You adopted us into Your family through Jesus. You call us to bring Your word into all of the world. Jesus, You are with us, and we abide with You. We rely on You, receive from You, and listen to You. We serve for Your glory. Thank you for Your glorious kingdom. We set our eyes on You Jesus. You are the way, and we trust You. You have our affection and devotion. We pray in Your name Lord, amen.

Sermon Points:

What is abiding?

What happens when you abide?

Why is abiding difficult?