

Study Guide on John 15:1-17

New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

John 15:1-17

(John 15:1) “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower.

(John 15:2) He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.

(John 15:3) You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you.

(John 15:4) Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

(John 15:5) I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

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

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

(John 15:8) My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

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

(John 15:10) If 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 15:11) I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

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

(John 15:13) No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.

(John 15:14) You are my friends if you do what I command you.

(John 15:15) I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.

(John 15:16) You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

(John 15:17) I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?