

# Worries, Wealth and Wants

John 15

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### Background

We live an exchanged life, Jesus' life for ours. Kingdom living is a life of learning to think and act and love like Jesus. I look forward to being with you this Sunday as we follow Jesus' model and methods for discipleship as well as anticipate barriers and thorns that could inhibit our growth.

### Sermon Text: John 15:1-8 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every 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. <sup>3</sup> Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide 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. <sup>5</sup> I 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. <sup>6</sup> If 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. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

### Discussion Questions

#### 1. Preparation

- What is one thing you hoped to talk about today/tonight?
- What question(s) did you come away with from the sermon?
- What stands out to you the most from this sermon?

#### 2. Sunday questions (pick 3?)

- Is serving in Kid's Club a possibility for you?
- In Sharon's introduction, she asked the question, "Are we spiritually grown-up yet?" How would you answer that question for yourself? Do you feel like you are spiritually mature right now? Why or why not?

- c. Sharon said the fundamental question of discipleship is “What do you want?” or “What are you seeking?” How do you answer that question today?
- d. An important part of discipleship is making more disciples. Who are you currently investing in as part of your walk of discipleship? (Hint: Kid’s Club would be a great place to invest.)
- e. What challenges have you experienced in disciple-making?
- f. One of Sharon’s main goals for the morning was that we would leave feeling encouraged. Were you encouraged in your Christian walk after Sunday’s message? Why or why not?

A reminder of Sharon’s “Cycle of Grace”:

