

Conversations WITH JESUS

Week Three (6/13/21): Remain in Jesus

Scripture Text: John 15:1-11

What does it look like to remain in Jesus? Jesus described it with a metaphor of a vine and a gardener. Do you experience pruning, bearing more of fruit, and ultimately more joy? If your life doesn't look like this, think about how you can make adjustments to both put and keep Jesus at the center.

Sermon Points:

1. To Remain means to be pruned.
2. To remain means to bear fruit.
3. To obey means to obey with joy.

Discussion Question Options:

- What stood out to you from this message?
- Read John 15:1-4a How did Eric define "pruning?" (*The process by which God removes character and behavior issues which hinder fruitfulness in our lives.*) What is the goal of pruning? Describe a time when God was pruning you. What was produced in your life?
- Read John 15:4-8 Why do you think Jesus includes the warning he does? Is there an area of your life where Jesus needs to be more at the center? What could that look like?
- Read John 15:9-11 What is the motivation for obedience you see here? What is the result? Is this how you usually think about obedience?
- What's the one step toward "remaining in Jesus" that you can take this week?