



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: John 15:6-11 (NAS)

"Abiding In Jesus"

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| 6 | "If anyone does not abide in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned. |
| 7 | "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. |
| 8 | "My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples. |
| 9 | "Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love. |
| 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. |
| 11 | "These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full. |

I. THE METAPHOR OF THE VINE

- A. Jesus Is The Vine
- B. God The Father Is The Vine Dresser
- C. Nominal Christians Are The Dead Branches
- D. The True Christians Are The Fruitful Branches

II. ABIDING IN JESUS DEFINED

- A. Greek Word --Men-O—To Stay In A Relationship
- B. Abide Used 8 Times In This Chapter By Jesus
- C. We Are To Abide In His Love *Jeremiah 31:3*
 - 1. His love spans all eternity *Romans 8:38-39; Ephesians 1:3-6*
 - 2. It results in our justification
 - 3. He loves us as His bride *Ephesians 5:25-27*
- D. Abiding In Jesus Means We Seek To Keep His Commands *Psalms 40:8; 119:11; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 10:7*

III. RESULTS OF ABIDING IN JESUS

- A. We Will Not Face God's Judgment *Matthew 13:29-42*
- B. We Will Be Effective In Prayer
- C. We Will Bear Much Fruit
- D. We Will Demonstrate To The World We Are Jesus' Disciples