

Study Questions from 24.11.2019 sermon

Jesus's main concern here

- i. Read out John 15:1—17. What is Jesus's main concern in this passage?
- ii. What is 'fruit' in John 15:1—17?

Spiritual power

- iii. In order to bear fruit, we need spiritual power (John 15:5). We get power by remaining in Jesus. How many times does Jesus mention 'remain' (or 'abide' in some other Bible versions) in v1—10?
- iv. Let's find out what it means to 'remain in Jesus'. What does the Greek word 'remain' mean? Look up Luke 1:56 and Luke 19:5 to find out (the same Greek word 'remain' is used in these verses, rendered 'stay').

Remaining in Christ means: remaining dependent

- v. Read John 15:4—5. What can we do to ensure we remain dependent on Jesus?
- vi. Read John 15:1—2. What does pruning mean for us and what part does it play in remaining dependent?

Remaining in Christ means: remaining in his words

- vii. Read John 15:7. Discuss what remaining in Jesus' words means. Be specific.

Remaining in Christ means: remaining in his love

- viii. Read John 15:9, 10, 12, 17. How can we remain in Christ's love?
- ix. Read John 15:10. How should love and obedience be linked together?