

Today's Sermon: Vines and Branches

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(John 15:1-17 NIV)

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¹ "I am the tr	ue vine, and my Father is the gardener. ² He cuts off every
branch in me	that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit
he prunes[a]	so that it will be even more fruitful. $^{\rm 3}\!You$ are already clean
because of t	ne word I have spoken to you. ⁴ Remain in me, as I also
remain in yo	u. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the
vine. Neithei	can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

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⁵"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

⁹"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹²My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷This is my command: Love each other.