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<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.

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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. —John 15:1-5 ESV

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“A growing Christian pushes through injury, relying on the hand of God and trusting in the heart of God through the hurts and hardships of life.”

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Imagery

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The Vine—John 15:1

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You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
You drove out the nations and  
planted it. —Psalm 80:8 ESV

Yet I planted you a choice vine,  
wholly of pure seed. How then have  
you turned degenerate and become  
a wild vine? —Jeremiah 2:21 ESV

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The Branches—John 15:5

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The Vinedresser—John 15:1

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The Fruit—John 15:2

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Dependency

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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.

—John 15:5 ESV

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“Abiding in Christ means dependence, compliance, continuance and peace.”

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## Productivity

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“The Vinedresser prunes the branches in two ways: He cuts away dead wood that can breed disease and insects, and He cuts away living tissue so that the life of the vine will not be so dissipated that the quality of the crop will be jeopardized.” —Warren Wiersbe

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“It is the Word that prunes the Christian, it is the truth that purges him, the Scripture made living and powerful by the Holy Spirit—effectually cleanses the Christian...”  
—Charles H. Spurgeon

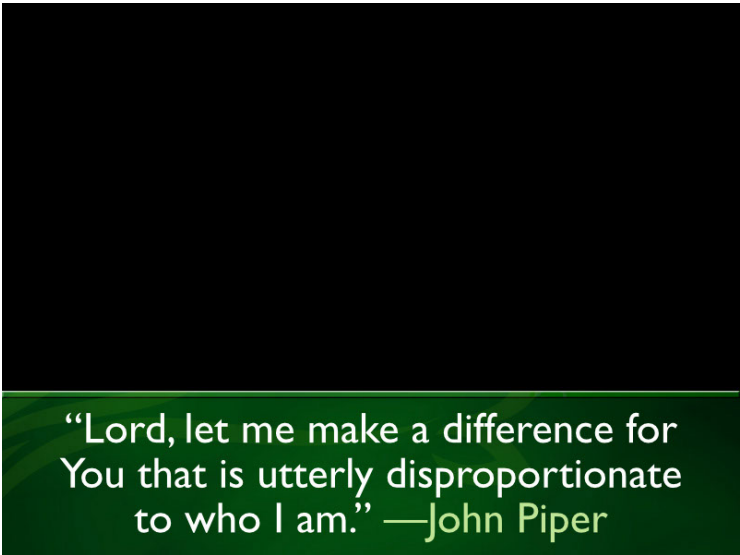
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For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. —Hebrews 4:12 ESV

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“Pain and injury either become an excuse for reckless irresponsibility or the cause for greater maturity in our walk with Christ.”

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“Lord, let me make a difference for  
You that is utterly disproportionate  
to who I am.” —John Piper

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