



**Title** | reBorn to Cling  
**Series** | reBorn to Walk  
**Text** | John 15:1-5, Galatians 5:22-25  
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# Sermon Notes

**John 15:1** I am the vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. **2** Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit. **3** You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. **4** Abide in Me, and I in You. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. **5** I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

**Galatians 5:22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. **24** Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. **25** If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. *NASB*

## Big Idea:

**John 15:4** Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. *NASB*

## For Reflection and Application:

### Monday:

Read John 15:1-5. In verse 4, what does Jesus mean by “abide in Me”?

### Tuesday:

Consider John 15:5. If a branch of a grapevine were no longer connected to the vine, why would it be unable to bear fruit? In the same way, if we are not connected to Jesus, why would we be unable to bear spiritual fruit?

### Wednesday:

In reference to John 15:4-5, the word “abide” means to stay, or remain. How can such a seemingly inactive word, “stay”, actually be one of the most challenging things for us to do as believers in Christ? What are some of the challenges in your life that try to keep you from staying deeply connected to Jesus? Do you see how important it is to hold tight, to cling to Jesus when faced with these challenges?

### Thursday:

Read Galatians 5:22-25. Review the list of “fruit” shown in verses 22 and 23. Consider how our current version of these items compare to God’s version. Note that on our own, we can only do our version. Remember that John 15:5 tells us that to do God’s version of these things we must stay deeply connected to Jesus, we must cling to Him.

### Friday:

Read Galatians 5:22-23 again. In your quiet time with God today, consider the first item in the “fruit list” in verse 22: “love”. In your time of prayer, surrender control of your way of love to Jesus. Consider scripture that show you how Jesus loves others in the Bible. Put aside your own way and open yourself up, asking Jesus to show you His way today. Despite the day’s distractions, cling to Jesus and stay deeply connected to Him, allowing Him to love others through you in whatever situations you find yourself today.

You may continue to do this on other days, and when you are ready, try another item on the “fruit list”, such as joy, peace, patience, kindness, etc. Note that this is not a formula, just an example of how we may develop a habit of daily surrender and staying connected to Jesus. You may find your own way of practicing continual surrender and connection. You will eventually find that the “fruit list” is just the start of what Christ will reveal to you in your lifelong journey in Him.

### Daily Prayer:

Heavenly Father, please help me to stay deeply connected to You. I surrender myself to You, and will cling tightly to You, that I may experience the fruitful life that You have for me and help bring life to others. Amen.

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