

Life on the Vine – Marks of a Growing Disciple

Just Do It!
John 15:9-11

OPEN WITH PRAYER

GETTING STARTED: As a child, were you more rebellious or obedient?

LEARNING & APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Together, read John 15:9-11 **together**

1. Why is it important that Jesus began this passage with the truth that he has loved in the same way that the Father has loved him? How would you describe this type of love to a friend who knows nothing about Christianity?
2. What does it mean to “remain” in Christ’s love?
3. How do we remain in Christ’s love?
4. What comes to your mind when you hear the word obedience?
5. What is the link between obedience and joy?

LIVING OUT “REAL LIFE”

1. John Calvin said “True knowledge of God is born out of obedience.” Do you agree with this statement? How have you found this to be true in your own faith journey? Can you think of an example in your own life when you experienced joy because you were obedient?

2. In his message, Steve gave a number of reasons why we find it hard to be obedient and trust God. What are some reasons you find it difficult to obey and trust?

3. Is there any area of your life in which you find it most difficult to be obedient to God and trust him?

SHARING AND PRAYER (Prayer Requests)

Take some time to share prayer requests, where you need to find God’s grace and peace. Be sure to give thanks for each other and pray for one another’s needs. When we pray together, we find the power of God.