

## Dig Deeper into John 15#2 for personal study and Life Groups...

**John 15:5-8 Stick with his Word**

**V5 The absolute centrality of Jesus for bearing fruit**

**V6 -ve: "Sticks" burned up**

**V7 +ve: branches remain**

**V8 This fruit is for God's glory**

**Zoom on v7**

**WORD**

**PRAYER**

Useful to God!

Pleasing to God!

THE VINE John 15

Carrying on with our studies in John 15. Have a go at these questions...

### 1. Recap on John 15:5-8

- a. How practically are you seeking to put v7 into practice at the moment? Do you need help with this in the form of information (resources- see below) or motivation (getting on with it!) How can we help each other?
- b. How can you make sure that your devotional life doesn't end up becoming "ritual" or "religion" rather than "relationship"? Perhaps share top tips on how you are seeking to pray and read the Bible.

### 2. Reading ahead to John 5:9-17

- a. What reasons do we have in the passage to love other Christians?
- b. How practically can we do that...
  - i. On Sundays?
  - ii. At lifegroups?
  - iii. Week round?

[If time] From what we have studied in John 15 how can we put the vision of our church into practice more effectively?

### The resources mentioned on Sunday ...

- **The Proverbs Challenge.** Read a chapter of Proverbs for every day of May, and pick one to pray about. See Whatsapp to join the group or click [this](#) link on your phone/Whatsapp web.
- **Redeeming the Time** App. App Store [here](#) (for Iphone and Ipad) and [here](#) (for Android).
- There are still one or two Good News for Everyone (Gideons) **prayer cards** available.
- **"All that we have we have in Christ"**- loads of Bible verses on the  **blessings that flow out of our union with Christ** (with thanks to Dan Halpin of Emmanuel Church Canterbury).
- **Tricky bits?** There are a couple of tricky verses on v1-8 . Last week's 11min podcast from Charlie including a couple of conundrums (v1,2,7) can be found [here](#). 10 mins on this week is [here](#).