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Called to the Cross (pt. 3)

“I am just not connected anymore.”

Remain (Abide)

John 15:1-4 1 “I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. 2 He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn’t produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. 3 You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. 4 Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.

To be with Jesus, to learn from Him, to live like Him.

John 15:5-8 5 “Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing. 6 Anyone who does not remain in me is thrown away like a useless branch and withers. Such branches are gathered into a pile to be burned. 7 But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted! 8 When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father.

When we break away from the vine, we may be able to survive short term but not eternally. We must intentionally practice remaining in Him.

John 15:9-17 9 “I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. 10 When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. 11 I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! 12 This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. 13 There is no greater love than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you slaves, because a master doesn’t confide in his slaves. Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me. 16 You didn’t choose me. I chose you. I appointed you to go and produce lasting fruit, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask for, using my name. 17 This is my command: Love each other.

God doesn’t ask us to love, he commands it.

“The Father’s love for Jesus was the model for Jesus’ love of the disciples; his obedient love for the Father was to be the model for their love for him; his self-sacrificing love for them was to be the model of their love for each other.” **Asbury Bible Commentary:** (p.1839).

How do you remain in Him?

What might be drawing you away from Him?

What must be pruned away that is not bearing fruit?

How are we as New Beginnings Church remaining in Him?

What must be pruned away that is no longer bearing fruit?

Psalm 1:1-3 1 “Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. 2 But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. 3 They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do.”