



October 16, 2011

**“Designed to Bear Fruit”**  
**ABIDE → FRUIT → RESULTS**  
**John 15:4-11**

**1. Abide:** Our role is to abide in Christ- what words would you use to describe abiding?

Is abiding in Christ active or passive?

**2. Fruit:** We are designed to bear fruit-How would you describe fruit for the believer in Jesus Christ?

Is bearing fruit active or passive for a branch?

**3. Results:** If we choose not to abide we:

When we abide we:



### **Church-Wide Study Series on John 15:1-8**

#### **Why . . .**

- Learn the secrets of bearing God's fruit
- To appreciating the Vinedresser: His creativity, His care & His pruning
- Great time to connect in a Small Group
- Teaching Includes all ages; great for family conversation

#### **How it works . . .**

- Preachers preach (kids, teens & adults)
- Small groups meet during week following the sermon to discuss the teachings

#### **It's not too late to join in . . .**

Pick up (available in the foyer) & begin to read the book "Secrets of the Vine"; consider joining a small group (join anytime) pray about involving your whole family in the discussion.

#### **The Sermon Schedule... (Vine chapters)**

- Oct. 16– Bearing Fruit (7)
- Oct. 23– Resting in the Vine (8&9)
- Oct. 30– Living Out Love