

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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“The Spirit-Controlled Life” – Pt. 2

“Deeper – Discovering Your Potential Through the Power of the Holy Spirit” – Pt. 10

John 15:1-8 & Selected

Jesus said, “Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” John 7:38

Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” John 14:27

A SPIRIT-CONTROLLED LIFE:

I. Demands I have a legitimate _____ to the Vine.

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser.” Vs. 1

II. Demands I _____ to the Lord’s pruning process.

“Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.” Vs. 2

III. Demands I practice the essential key of _____ in Jesus if I am going to live life guided by the Holy Spirit.

“Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.” Vs. 4

To Abide in Jesus:

1) My total _____ in Jesus is non-negotiable!

“Abide in me.” Vs. 4a

"You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you." Isaiah 26:3

- 2) **My total _____ and _____ is required!**
"As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me." Vs. 4b

- 3) **My maximum _____ production is made possible!**
"Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit." Vs. 5a

- 4) **My _____ in life are minimized!**
"...for apart from me you can do nothing." Vs. 5b

- 5) **My _____ takes on a whole new meaning!**
"If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you." Vs. 7

- 6) **My life in Christ glorifies God and _____ my faith!**
"By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples." Vs. 8