

The Christ Connection

Dr. Stephen Tan | John 15:1-11

MESSAGE

Watch the sermon. As you watch, use the outline to follow along or take notes on anything that stands out to you.

NOTES

If the foundation and source of strength for the Christian life is a believer's connection with Jesus, and if that connection results in amazing things, then we should be motivated to abide in Christ and draw close to Him every day. What does this connection look like and how does it play out in one's life? Dr. Stephen Go Tan delves into Jesus' own words in John 15:1-11.

#1: Connecting to Christ allows us to experience the best in this life (v.

#2: Connecting to Christ requires us to disconnect from our own power source.

#3: Connecting to Christ gives us some amazing results.

- Our prayers are answered
- God is glorified in our lives
- We experience the Savior's love
- We are obedient to His Word
- We feel a joy that is full

REFLECT and DISCUSS

1. Take a few minutes to talk about the message. Note the context of the Bible passage and share observations and parts of the sermon that specifically stood out to you.
2. Why does Jesus emphasize the importance of abiding in Him for bearing fruit? How does this relate to the concept of true success?
3. How does the process of pruning, as described in the sermon, contribute to a believer's spiritual growth? Identify one area in your life where you feel God is pruning you. How can you cooperate with His work in this area, even if it is uncomfortable?
4. In what ways have you been trying to achieve success on your own? What steps can you take today to deepen your dependence on Christ?
5. Have you had amazing results in keeping connected to Christ? Share with the group.
6. Reflect on the concept of letting go to let God take control. Is there something you are holding onto that you need to release to fully abide in Christ? What steps will you take this week to let go and let God?

PRAYER

Close your time together with prayer.