Our Relationship & Connection with Christ John 15:1-8 <u>Jesus is the Vine!</u> We are the Branches! The Father is the husbandman!

(1) Jesus Christ is the source of all life; Vs 1

The Vine Gives Life to the Branches: (John 10:10) He is the Source of Eternal Life: John 10:28-30

**Everything that the Vine has, is given wholly to the Branches**:

(Mat 6:33) (Rom 8:32) (Heb 2:10)

(2) He is the Support to the Branches: The Branches cannot stand in their own strength, but need to Vine for Support. *Heb 1:3* 

(3) He giveth Purpose to the Branches: Vs 2 We are to bear fruit! (Gal 5: 22-23) (Eph 5:9)

<u>Plants Bear fruit to reproduce themselves</u>: (Mark 4:28-29) <u>Our Fruit should lead to souls being saved</u>: (Mat 5:16)

To bear fruit we must let the Father cut wrong habits out of our lives so we can bear more fruit; (Heb 12:11)

The Vine cannot bear fruit without the branch!

The Value of something is determined solely by what a person will give in exchange for it! (John 3:16)

The Human Soul is that valuable to God!

(4) Fruit-bearing depends on remaining in Christ & drawing on

His sustaining grace; Vs 4-5 (John 15:4-5)

Webster's Dictionary "Abide" Means to Rest or Dwell in.

(2 Cor 3:4-5) (2 Tim 2:21) (Gal 5:16-17)

**Resist the Devil** (James 4:7-8)

and Yield unto God. (Rom 6:13-21)

(5) Failing to bear fruit has serious consequences; VS 6

We are judged if we do not bear fruit; (Luke 13:7-9)

(6) Those who bear fruit have their prayers answered; vs 7

(1 John 3:22)(1 John 5:14-15)

(7) Bearing fruit glorifies God. Vs 8 (1 Cor 6:20) (1 Pet 2:12)

There are five degrees in fruit-bearing:

(1) no fruit ("bears no fruit," v. 2);

(2) "fruit" (v. 2);

(3) "more fruitful" (v. 2);

(4) "much fruit"

(5) "Fruit that Remains (Vs. 16)

There is a false Vine which is the World. The False Husbandman is Satan.

I am the False Vine, the World, and Satan is my Husbandman. Every branch in me that choketh not out the fruit of righteousness is taken away, and every branch that choketh out the fruit of Righteousness is federally funded and provided for that it might choke out more fruit.

Now are ye filthy through the fleshly lusts I have provided for you. Abide in the World, and the World abide in you, for the branch cannot chokeout the righteousness of itself unless it abide in the world.

I am the false vine and ye are the branches, He that abideth in the world and the world abideth in Him, the same choketh out much Righteousness for without the Fleshly lusts and influences of the world, ye can do nothing pleasing to the flesh.

If anyone abideth not in the world and its lusts, he is cast out and will wither socially; and men gather and speak evil of them in order to burn their testimony.

If ye abide in the World, and the world abides in you, ye shall ask what you will and it shall be mandated by the federal government for you without your parents knowledge or approval.

Here in is Satan glorified that ye choke out much fruit, so shall ye be his disciples.