

Read John 15:1-11 Discussion Questions:

How do you personally interpret Jesus' command to 'abide in me', and what challenges do you face in trying to live this out daily?

In what ways might our modern culture make it difficult to 'set our minds on things above', and how can we practically combat these distractions?

The sermon mentions the 'fruit of the Spirit' from Galatians 5. Which of these fruits do you find most challenging to cultivate in your own life, and why?

How does the concept of 'keeping in step with the Spirit' change your perspective on spiritual growth and obedience?

Reflect on a time when you felt you were truly 'abiding in Christ'. What was different about your thoughts, actions, or attitudes during that period?

The speaker talks about the need to 'train our hearts and minds' towards God. What spiritual disciplines or practices have you found most effective in this training?

How might viewing obedience to Christ's commands as a pathway to spiritual wealth (rather than a burden) change our approach to Christian living?

In what areas of your life do you find it most difficult to submit to Christ's authority over your emotions, circumstances, or desires?

The sermon uses the analogy of a branch connected to a vine. How does this image help you understand your relationship with Christ, and where might you need to strengthen that connection?

Considering the story of Mr. Yates and his oil-rich land, in what ways might you be living in spiritual poverty despite having access to God's abundant resources?