Emmanuel Prayer Needs

Fall Ministry Startup - Pray for our Fall Ministries Starting up in September such as Small Groups, Truth Seekers, Youth Ministry. For those planning & preparing. For Volunteers needed! For Pastor Natan as he starts at Emmanuel as Youth Pastor. For our Fall Ministry Kickoff Sunday on Sunday Sept 14th.

Bob Burkinshaw & Caleb Henderson - Pray for Bob Burkinshaw in Eswatini as he returns nest week. For Caleb Henderson in Colombia with Epic Onside.

(Prayer Chain Ministry) - a confidential ministry to pray for serious events and emergencies in people's lives)

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Box in Foyer, or meet us at the end of each service.

John MacArthur "Our Lord comes along and says, "If you want to be connected to God, you have to be connected, not to Israel, but to me. I am the true vine, I am the perfect vine. Through Me, the life of God flows."

H A Ironside "If we are branches in the living Vine, if we have trusted the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior, then the one great thing for which we are left in this world is to bear fruit to the glory of God."

Spurgeon "It is the Word that prunes the Christian. It is the truth that purges him. The Scripture made living and powerful by the Holy Spirit eventually and effectively cleanses the Christian."

H.A. Ironside "So it is in all God's dealings with us. We should not be discouraged if we are called upon to pass through some very severe trials. So when we have to pass through great trials, deep waters and many sorrows, it is not an evidence that He does not love us. that He does not care for us"

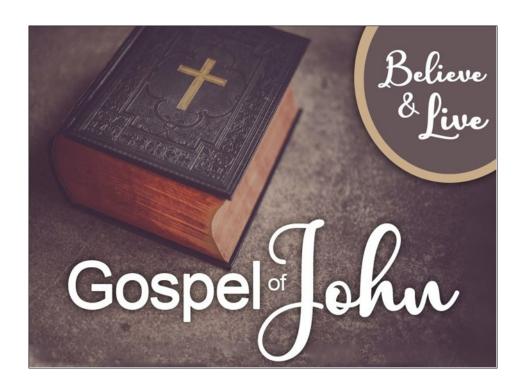
J.C. Ryle describes abiding in Christ as "a habit of constant close communion with Him."



Refresher Courses: Sunday Sept 7th 9am Sunday September 21st 11am







Sunday, August 24th 2025

Upcoming Events: (visit emmanuellife.com)

Plan to Protect Training - Sunday Sept 7th 9am & Sept 21st 11am. Sign up online or at Welcome Desk

Fall Ministry Launch Sunday - Sunday Sept 14th. Signups for Fall Ministries, Small Groups, Bible Studies & Serving Opportunities. Followed by BBQ at Pinecrest!

Emmanuel Leadership Team Meeting (Staff, Deacons & Elders) - Tuesday Sept 2nd 7pm.



Remain in Me John 15:1-17

Context	
Jesus & Disciples have left the Upper _ Jerusalem towards G	& now walking through
Jerusalem towards G	tatements to describe our relationship to Him
I - Jesus is the T Vine (Verse 2) Israel depicted as a Vine in the Old Tes Where Israel failed, Jesus becomes the salvation, and the Kingdom of God!	tament. Psalms 80:8-9; Isaiah 5:4
II - God is the Vineyard K God is the one who Planted the Vineyaw to make it fruitful!	
III - We are the branches. There are two Kinds of Branches: (Verse 2) IV - Branches that bear N Fruit (Verse 2&6) Continuation of what started in Chapter 13. J	
Not all who follow Jesus, or profess to Matthew 7:17-20; John 6:66-67; Mattl	
We ought to e our faith	•
We can and ought to have an a A very real j for those w	of our salvation (Verses 3&4)
V – Branches that b Fruit! You can not be a Christian and N	produce Fruit
Q: What is the Fruit of being a genuine i) Righteous Phil1:11. ii) Christlike C Gal 5:1 iii) Service and w for God. Eph 2 iv) Leading others to J , Makir v) P God! Heb 13:15.	9-23. 2:10; Jam 2:14&26.
Q: What can I do to ensure I produce i) Genuine repentance & faith in Jesus. Recognizing & confessing our sinfulness, o cross for us, a genuine change of mind, he ii) Submit to the p wor God uses two things mostly. Our C iii) R in Him. (Verses 4-5	Matthew 3:8 or great need of Jesus, His work on the lart, and lifestyle! k of God in our lives. Rom 8:28-30 His W
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Personal Study & Small Group Questions

- **1. Q:** How Much of a Gardner are you? Have you ever done any work with growing vines or grapes? What have you learned?
- **2**. **Read Verses 1-8**. **Q**: Why do you think Jesus uses A Vine or a Vineyard as a metaphor of our relationship with Him?
- **3. Q:** Why do you think Jesus said that He was the **"TRUE"** Vine? How is God the Vine keeper?
- **4. Read Verses 2&6 again. Q:** What does Jesus say about the branches that bear no fruit? **Q:** How do these verses make you feel? Why?
- **5. Q:** Do you agree or disagree with the statements that Judas was not a true follower of Jesus & that Not all who follow Jesus or claim to be Christians are true believers?
- **6. Read 2 Corinthians 13:5 & Philippians 2:12 Q:** What do these verses mean? **Q:** How do we "examine" our faith or "work out" our salvation? **Q:** Do you think you have ever done this or had these moments in your Christian Life?
- **7. Q:** What does Jesus say about the Branches that bear Fruit? **Q:** How would you define "Fruit"? Q: Do you agree or disagree with the statement "You can not be a Christian and Not bear Fruit"?
- **8.** Read through the list of types of "Fruit". Q: Have you seen any of these in your life? Q: Which one do you struggle with the most? Why?
- **9. Read Matthew 3:8. Q:** Do you believe that you experienced genuine faith & repentance? Why?
- **10. Read Romans 8:28-30. Q:** What has God used in your live to "Prune" you? A Circumstance? A Bible verse or passage? How did you get through it?
- **11. Q:** Is there a time in your life you struggled with walking away from Jesus? Why (disobedience, disappointment)? What kept you or brought you back?
- **12. Read Verses 9-17 Q:** Do you find it easy or hard to maintain a close, intimate and present relationship with Jesus? Why? How?