

Connection Group Discussion Questions

For the week of April 19, 2015

John 15:4-6

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

Common English Bible (CEB)

⁴ *Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can't produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can't produce fruit unless you remain in me.* ⁵ *I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can't do anything.* ⁶ *If you don't remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned.*

Connection Questions:

1. Discuss how you go about planning your daily schedules or do you?

7. Do you think it is possible through a mature relationship with God to find a rhythm or balance to all the demands upon our time?

8. What are some things in our lives we could let go of in an attempt to find a spiritual rhythm to our living?

9. When Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing." What do you think Jesus meant by saying you could do nothing apart from him?

10. Homework: As best you can, plan a schedule this week where you have daily spiritual routines planned each day in attempt to be connected to God. The following week share what you did and if it helped in finding a balance to your life.