

LIFE NOTES

Path

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Series: The

“Remain in Me”

John 15:1 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you **remain in me** and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.” (NIV)

The Point: A follower of Jesus has to _____ to Jesus in order to live out the life He wants us to live.

REASON TO STAY CONNECTED TO JESUS

1. I will not be _____ from God.

John 15:1-2 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ² He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit He prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.” (NIV)

Isaiah 59:2 “... your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear.” (NIV)

Hebrews 12:5-11

John 15:6 “If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.”

2. I will experience an _____ life.

John 15:5 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.”

Galatians 5:22-23 ²² But the **fruit** of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control ...” (NIV)

Ephesians 5:8-11; Colossians 1:6; Colossians 1:9-12

3. I will have an effective _____.

John 15:7 “If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.”

James 5:16 “... confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.” (NIV)

4. I will _____ God.

John 15:8 “This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.” (NIV)

Matthew 5:16 “... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” (NIV)

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED TO JESUS

1. Connect with _____.

John 15:10 “If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in His love.” (NIV)

2. Connect with _____.

Matthew 6:5-13 ⁴⁵ And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. ⁷ And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him. ⁹ This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, ¹⁰ your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.” (NIV)

3. Connect with _____.

1 John 1:12 “No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.” (NIV)

4. Connect with _____.

Luke 15:31-32 ³¹ ‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. ³² But we had to celebrate and be glad, because

Matthew 18:20 “For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.” (NIV)

1 Corinthians 11:23-25 ²³ ... The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when He gave thanks, He broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵ In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink, in remembrance of me.” (NIV)

5. Connect with _____.

Matthew 25:40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’” (NIV)

BOTTOM LINE

Psalms 1:1-3 ¹ Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers ² but those whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on His law day and night. ³ That person is

like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.”