

SEVEN DAYS
The Promise Of Life-Change
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Key Verse of the Day

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. John 15:16 NIV

Key Thought of the Day

Jesus offers the promise of _____ that is found in Him.

I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last...

Why does it matter that Jesus had chosen them?

Because Jesus' choice of them implies _____.

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last...

The Fruit Bearing Process Requires...

1. The Role of Jesus — The True _____.

"I am the true vine..." John 15:1a NIV

The Fruit Bearing Process Requires...

2. The Role of the Believer. — The _____.

I am the vine; you are the branches. John 15:5a NIV

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. John 15:6 NIV

"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." John 15:5 NIV

The Fruit Bearing Process Requires...

3. The Role of the Father — The _____.

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener." John 15:1 NIV

The Fruit Bearing Process Requires...

4. The Role of the Holy Spirit — The _____.

But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. John 16:7 NIV

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. John 16:13

Four Types of Spiritual Fruit

1. The fruit that comes from _____.

...My Father is the gardener. 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. John 15:1b-2 NIV

• The pruning of _____ branches.

He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit...

If you do not remain in me, (or connected to the spiritual life that I provide) you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. John 15:6 NIV

• The pruning that results in producing _____.

...while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.

Four Types of Spiritual Fruit

2. The fruit that comes by _____ in Jesus.

Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. 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. John 15:4-5 NIV

Don't Miss This!

As the True Vine, Jesus _____ what type of fruit we will produce.

This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15:8 NIV

Four Types of Spiritual Fruit

3. The Fruit that comes through persistent _____.

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

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. John 15:16 NIV

Grab This!

If we are truly asking for something in Jesus' name, we are asking for Jesus' _____
_____ in our lives.

Four Types of Spiritual Fruit

4. The fruit that comes from _____ Christian brothers and sisters.

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. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. John 15:10-12 NIV

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last... This is my command: Love each other. John 15:16-17 NIV

So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples." John 13:34-35 NLT

The Bottom Line

Christians bring God _____ when they bear spiritual fruit, because true, spiritual life-change only happens through Jesus.

The Challenge

Where might Jesus want to see a little more fruit in your life?