

# WELCOME TO BIBLE STUDY DISCUSSION

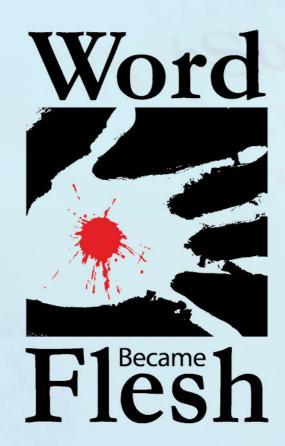
2017-2018

A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Lesson 18: Vines & Branches John 15:1 - 16:4







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Opening Music

Meliza Gomez

Guest Artist



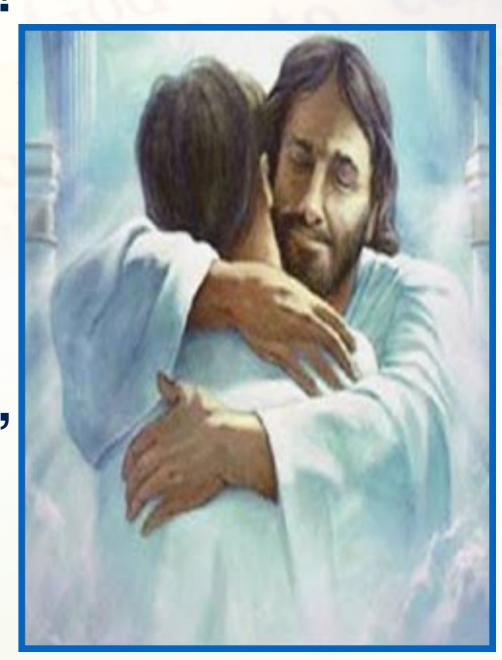


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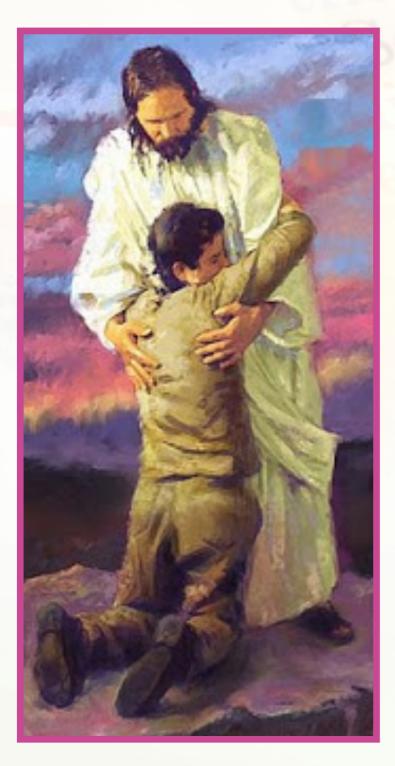
What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!



#### What a Friend We Have in Jesus!

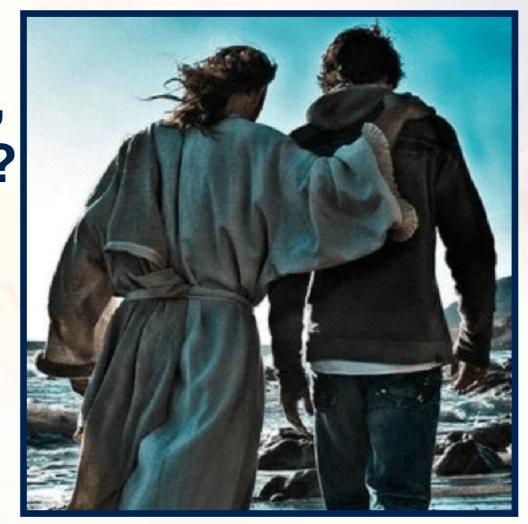


Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
Take it to the Lord in prayer!

Can we find a friend so faithful, Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness Take it to the Lord in prayer!

#### What a Friend We Have in Jesus!

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our
Refuge Take it to the Lord in prayer!



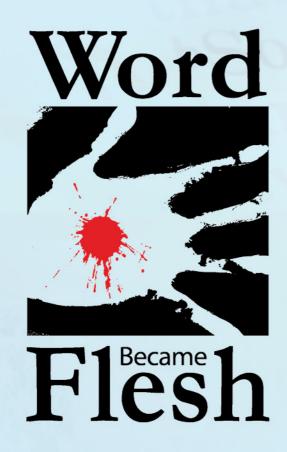
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.





# Welcome to BSD Guest Day





# A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Opening Prayer

Rev. Dr. Clay Brown

Associate Pastor for Equipping Ministries





#### Memory Verse

I am the Way and the Truth and the Life.

No one comes to the Father

except through me.

John 14:6





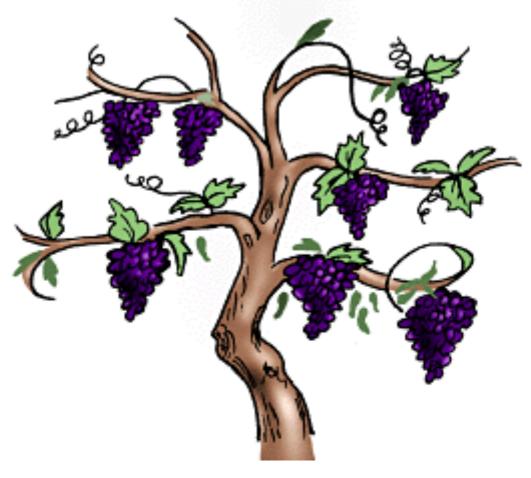
#### Santa Barbara

#### **Austin Side-Trip**



#### Road Trip with the Students











<u>Time</u>: During Passover Feast & after Feet Washing & Lord's Supper. It's later the same night.

## Background

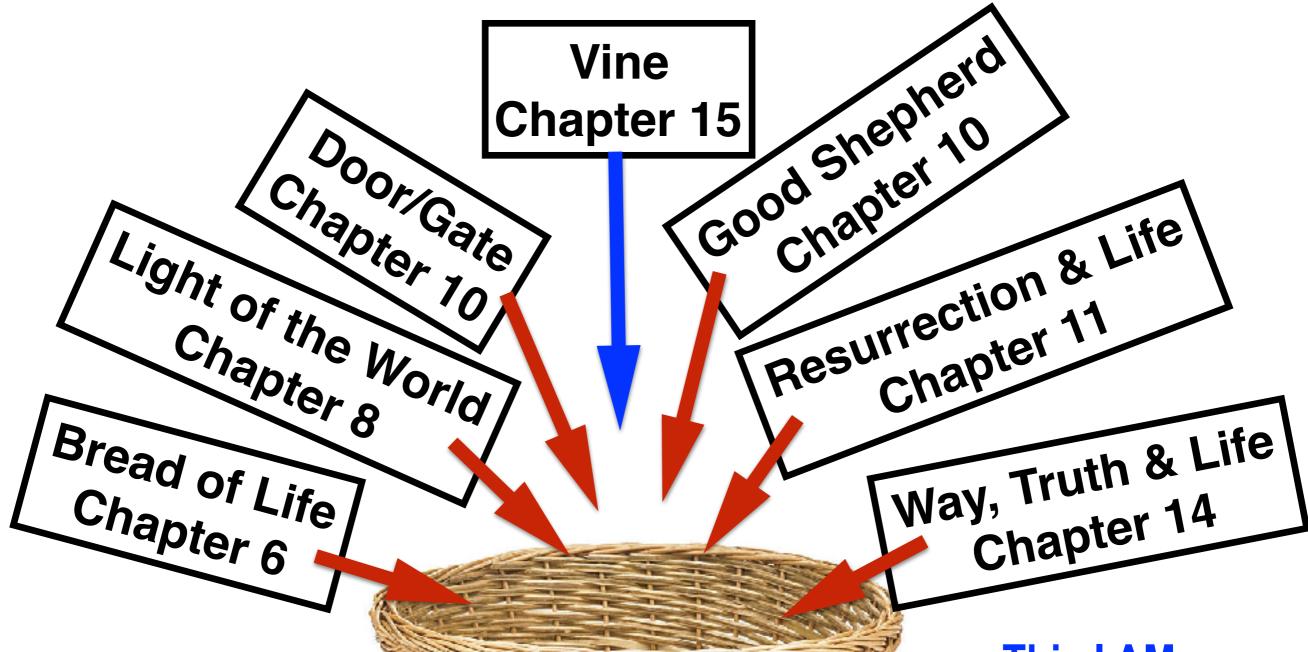
#### Details:

- >Talking only to the 11
- >Monologue
- >Final Discourse
- >Limited time
- >3 Persons of Trinity

#### Location:

- >Walking from Upper Room to the Garden of Gethsemane.
- >They likely went pass the vine sculpture on the Huldah Gate of the Temple or seen the large golden vine on the door to the Temple.
- >On the route, they could have seen grapevines on terraces or vineyards in the valley.





Number 7 is the only one with a 2nd aspect. "You are the branches."

This I AM distinguishes between the roles of Son and Father.





#### Old Vine vs True Vine

Old Vine = Israel, removed from Egypt and planted in the Promised Land but Israel was not perfect and cannot give life!

True Vine = Jesus whom God's purposes are resting. Jesus is where perfection and life are found.







## Pruning

To be made clean or cleansed.

If you want a crop, You Must Prune!







#### Bearing Fruit

- 1. Being loving Christians
- 2. Doing Mission or Evangelism
- 3. Practicing Mutual Love
- 4. Leading People to Christ
- 5. Living a Changed Life
- 6. Giving Glory to God through discipleship
- 7. Letting Jesus shine through you

John leaves the definition open! What do you think?





#### Abiding

Making your Home with Jesus.

It implies loyalty.

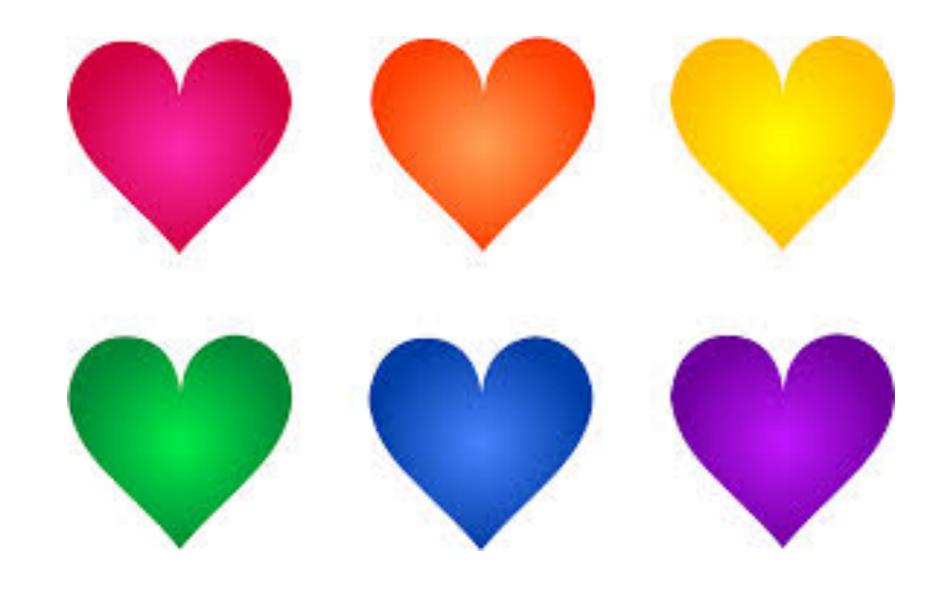
It allows believers to be held.

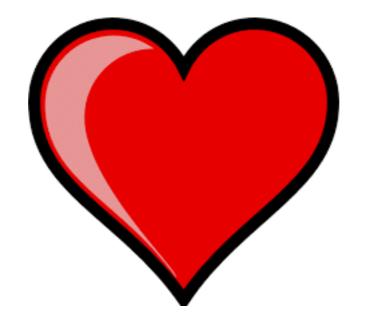
Abiding gives us the power to love, bear fruit, and stay connected to the Vine.





"For without me, you can do nothing!" John 15:5





## The Gift of Peace

John 14:27

#### **Heart to Heart Gifts: Peace**



John 14: 27

Greek & Roman

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eace is the absence

peace is the conflict.

of war or conflict.

Jewish peace is a positive blessing of growing out of a right relationship with God.

Christian peace is a deep feeling of contentment or tranquility because God is in control. I don't need to worry but instead I need to let go and let God.



## The Gift of Love

John 15:9

#### **Heart to Heart Gifts: Love**



John 15: 9

What kind of love is this gift?

Deep abiding selfless unconditional love

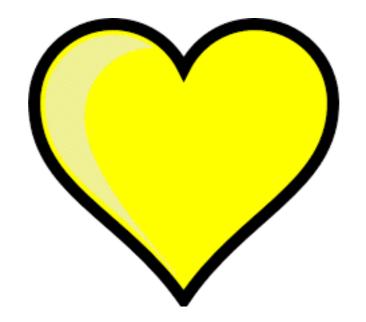
- Agape Love

#### Triad of Love:

The Father loves the Son.

The Son loves the believers in the same way.

The believers love one another in the same way when they abide with Jesus.



## The Gift of Joy

John 15:11

## Heart to Heart Gifts: Joy



John 15: 11

Joy and happiness are thought to be synonymous in our 21st century world. Mistakenly, some believe that affluence or comfort will provide joy.



Joy is great pleasure, glee, exuberance, and deep fulfillment that is felt from within. Joy comes from being loved by Jesus and loving one another.

"Nothing causes more joy than to be loved!" Marie-Joseph Lagrange, French Catholic Priest



## The Gift of Friendship

John 15:15

#### **Heart to Heart Gifts: Friendship**



John 15: 15

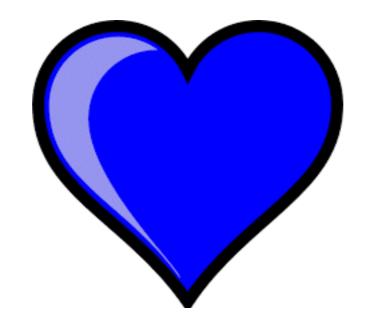


Happy Graduation Day!

The student/servant is subordinate to the teacher, but now the disciples are no longer students.

They are now Jesus' friends.

Jesus confides in and tells his friends what the Father commissioned him to make known.



## The Gift of Warning

John 15:18 - 16:4

#### Heart to Heart Gifts: Warning



John 15: 18 - 16:4

When we respond to Jesus by telling others, some will reject Him and you with hostility, animosity, and bitterness.

If the world hates Jesus, then it will hate the Father, and it will hate YOU!





## The Gift of The Spirit

John 14:16 and 15:26

## Heart to Heart Gifts: The Spirit



John 14:16 and 15:26

#### Advocate

(Helper, Encourager, Giver of Strength)



Spirit of Truth

(Illuminator, Reminder, Teacher)











Reflect

Renew

Recall

Renounce

Refrain

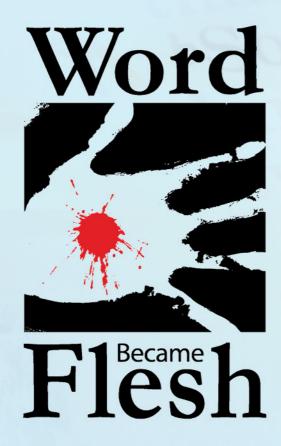
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## Applying the Lesson to Your Life

During this season of Lent,
what is your plan to stay connected
to the True Vine and
show your appreciation to Jesus
for the gifts he's given you?







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## Closing Prayer by Jane Henson



