

Farewell Discourse Pt. 12- Abide

***every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.
John 15:2***

As followers of Jesus, God is more concerned with the quality of our fruit than the quantity.

4 Remain in me, as I also remain in you. John 15:4

Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve. Luke 22:3

Too often our prayers reflect what we think Jesus should do in our lives.

Satan does a great job of getting us to compare ourselves to the people who have what we want and not to the people who want what we have.

***sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it.
Genesis 4:7***

3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. John 15:3

It is by the word and grace of God alone that we are saved and not by our achievements.

4 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. Titus 3:4-5

Fruit in our lives is also a great reminder that we are abiding in Jesus.

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

"God are you there" is answered by the lack of or abundance of spiritual fruit in our lives.

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