Farewell Discourse 13- Fruit Still Happens

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. 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. 7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15:5-8

I and the Father are one. John 10:30

We tend to <u>demand</u> everything from God and are <u>repulsed</u> that God would demand anything from us.

Jesus warns us often of punishment because he cares more about our eternal destiny than our fragile ego.

We must all be willing to take a deep look at our lives and determine whether or not we are in Christ.

18 Early in the morning, as Jesus was on his way back to the city, he was hungry. 19 Seeing a fig tree by the road, he went up to it but found nothing on it except leaves. Then he said to it, "May you never bear fruit again!" Immediately the tree withered. Matthew 21:18-19

12 Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, John 14:12

21... "Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and it will be done. 22 If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer." Matthew 21:21-22

We have to be <u>honest enough</u> with ourselves in that maybe we don't have fruit in our life because we don't want it.

Those who have <u>faith</u> will simply do what God tells them to do.

to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. to say to the captives, 'Come out,' and to those in darkness, 'Be free!' Isaiah 42:7, 49:9

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