



## ABIDE – “I BEAR MUCH FRUIT”

### LESSON OVERVIEW

**Revelation:** I Bear Much Fruit

**Bible Lesson:** John 15:1-5; 15:8

**Heart:** When we stay with Jesus, we have fruit like Jesus.

**Memory Verse:** “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain joined to me, and I to you, you will bear much fruit. You cannot do anything without me” – John 15:5

### GAME

- Musical Chairs
- 4-Corners
- Playground

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Page Team Lead for all communication of needs (supplies, parent assistance, medical, restroom breaks)
- NEVER leave the classroom without paging Team Lead
- NEVER be alone with a child – this includes one on one conversations
- NO pictures or video recording is allowed in the classroom
- Every child and serve team member MUST wear their name tag

### RULES

- Respect

### DECLARATION

“I am a child of God, full of His Holy Spirit. I am learning His ways. I am made to encounter and connect with Him daily. I am walking in His favor and carrying His presence wherever I go.”

### CONNECT WITH GOD FOCUS

- Meditation



## REVELATION

**SAY** | Last week we discovered, “I stay with Jesus”, does anyone remember how we stay with Jesus? (By encountering Him daily, through worship, prayer, and reading our Bible). Why is it important to stay with Jesus?

Jesus said “I am the vine. You are the branches. If you remain joined to me, and I to you, you will bear a lot of fruit. You can’t do anything without me!”

**Our revelation today is “I bear much fruit”.** Say it with me “I bear much fruit”! To bear fruit means to grow fruit, or to have fruit. The fruit we have is the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

**SAY** | Do any of you ever feel so angry or sad that you feel like you have to do something about it? When we have times like remember; because we spend time with Jesus, He gives us His fruit. When we are struggling to have the fruit of the Spirit, we can spend time with Jesus and ask Him to give us His fruit! When we’re angry at someone, we can ask Holy Spirit to help us love, be kind, and gentle and to give us self-control, because we have His fruit. When we’re afraid, we can trust in Jesus to bring us peace and joy!

What is some fruit in your life that you already walk in? Ask Holy Spirit to reveal to you what fruit you need and ask Him to give it to you!

**DECLARATION** | “I stay with Jesus by encountering him daily, and I bear much fruit. My fruit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.”

**Let’s pray**, Holy Spirit, we welcome you here, we don’t make room for you, but we give you the entire room. We ask you to teach us your ways so that we may know you and find your favor. Speak Lord, your servants are listening. Amen.



## BIBLE LESSON

**TEACHER PROMPT** | If you memorize this story and this lesson, it will help you teach it in excellence and allow Holy Spirit to speak to you and through you.

**BIBLE LESSON INTRO** | Our Bible lesson today is found in John 15

Jesus said in John 15:1-5, 8; “I am the true vine. My Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch joined to me that does not bear fruit. He trims every branch that does bear fruit. Then it will bear even more fruit. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain joined to me, just as I also remain joined to you. No branch can bear fruit by itself. It must remain joined to the vine. In the same way, you can’t bear fruit unless you remain joined to me...” “When you bear a lot of fruit, it brings glory to my Father. It shows that you are my disciples.”

### **HOLD UP TOMATO PLANT PICTURE**

Jesus said in John chapter 15, “I am the true vine, my Father is the gardener, and you are the branches. He then says to stay with Him as He stays with you.”

Remember, the branches must stay with the vine to keep growing, we also must stay with Jesus, by encountering Him daily through worship, prayer, and reading our Bible, to keep growing.

But what is it that we grow? Jesus says, if we stay with Him, we will bear, or grow, MUCH fruit! Does this mean we’ll start growing fruit on our arms and legs? (Pause) No! Of course not!

Does anyone know what kind of fruit we will grow? (Pause for answers) Yes! The fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Jesus says that He will know us by our fruit, if we aren’t walking in the fruit of the Spirit, it shows that we aren’t encountering Him daily.

When we stay with Jesus by being with Him daily, we bear MUCH fruit like Jesus. In our daily encounters with Jesus, He prunes or gets rid of the things in us that do



not produce His fruit. This is why we pray daily, “reform any crooked ways within me!” He makes the crooked ways in us straight! Jesus says that this fruit that He gives us shows others that we are His followers.

We bear fruit from Jesus by spending time with Him daily, and when we bear fruit others will see Jesus in us, our hearts cry is to be like Jesus!

**Our revelation today is, I bear much fruit.**

**TEACHER PROMPT** | Ask Holy Spirit what He wants to do in this next moment. This can look like repenting for not walking in the fruit of the Spirit or having daily encounters. Or a prayer to receive all of His fruit.

## **SALVATION + DISCUSSION**

**TEACHER PROMPT** | This invitation to an eternity with Jesus is huge! Be sensitive to what Holy Spirit wants to do in this time. Ask Him to think through your thoughts and speak through your mouth!

**SAY** | God loves YOU so much that He gave his only Son that anyone who believes, in Jesus, might be saved and have everlasting life, John 3:16. God wants to be close to you. He has taken every step to be close to you. If you have never accepted Jesus into your heart, you can today! (You can invite children to raise hands, come forward, etc. have everyone repeat prayer together)

**PRAYER** | Father God you are Holy. Holy Spirit, we thank you for all that you teach us and that we get to know you Jesus, we thank you for laying down your life so that we can be close to you. Jesus, would you forgive us from our sins. Would you come live in our heart forever. Amen.

**CELEBRATION** | At TLC one of our values is Celebration. If you made this amazing decision to give your life to Jesus today, please stand up so we can CELEBRATE YOU! Let’s Celebrate our friends who gave their life to Jesus today! WOOHOO!!

**NOTE** | List names of any child that received Jesus today on the Feedback Sheet



**ASK** | Encourage children to participate by answering the below questions:

- + What did Holy Spirit highlight to you in this story today?
- + How do you think you would react in this situation if you were there?
- + What is our memory verse?
- + What was our revelation?
- + What was our Bible Lesson about?

## **BENEDICTION PRAYER**

“Teach us your ways that we may know you and find your favor.” – Exodus 33:13

## **BIBLE TRIVIA**

### **1. What was our memory verse?**

(“I am the vine. You are the branches. If you remain joined to me, and I to you, you will bear a lot of fruit. You can’t do anything without me.”)

### **2. What was our revelation?**

(I Bear Much Fruit)

### **3. What was our Bible Story about?**

(Jesus telling His disciples to bear His fruit)

### **4. What did Jesus say that would show others they are His disciples?**

(They would bear much fruit.)

### **5. What is the fruit that we produce from spending time with Jesus?**

(The fruit of the Spirit.)

### **6. What is the fruit of the Spirit?**

(Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.)

**TEACHER PROMPT** | Fill in the blank with the number of salvations: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name and classroom name: \_\_\_\_\_

Feedback: \_\_\_\_\_

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Celebrations: \_\_\_\_\_

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