



Small Discipleship Groups
Sermon Guide Questions
7 JANUARY 2024



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John 15: 1-11

Conversation starter: What plant best describes you now: Towering oak? Weeping willow? Tumbleweed? Crab apple tree? Explain.

1. Read aloud and slowly **John 15:1-17**. What stands out to you most in the passage and why?
2. Jesus repeats remain in me, love and bear fruit. How are these words or concepts related? What is the “fruit that will last” (v 16)?
3. How do verses 9 and 12 tie together? How is love the essential dynamic of the Christian life? How does your relationship with Jesus change once you start practicing his example of love?

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4. What is the link between obedience and prayer (vv 7, 16; see 14:13-14)?
5. Specifically, how would you consider yourself as it relates to laying down your life for your friends (v 13)? Do you feel more like Jesus' servant or his friend? What helps develop the friendship?
6. Pray together as it flows from your discussion. Are you led to respond or make any particular application as a result?

