

## ***Lifted Up and Cleaned Off***

Abiding in Christ Part 2

John 15:2; Hebrews 12

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*"I have come so that they may have life and have it in abundance."  
(John 10:10b, CSB)*

*"...like a tree planted beside flowing streams that bears its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers."  
(Psalm 1:3, CSB)*

*"Every branch in me that does not produce fruit he [God the Father] removes [lifts up], and he prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit." (John 15:2, CSB)*

### **4 Types Of Branches**

- Branch 1 - \_\_\_\_\_ (v.2)
- Branch 2 - \_\_\_\_\_ (v.2)
- Branch 3 - \_\_\_\_\_ (v.2)
- Branch 4 - \_\_\_\_\_ (v.5)

### **No Fruit Christians - \_\_\_\_\_**

*"He [God the Father] cares for the branches connected to me by lifting and propping up the fruitless branches..." (John 15:2a, TPT)*

*"Keep in mind that the LORD your God has been disciplining you just as a man disciplines his son." (Deuteronomy 8:5, CSB)*

*"My son, do not take the Lord's discipline lightly or lose heart when you are reproved by him, for the Lord disciplines the one he loves and punishes every son he receives." (Hebrews 12:5-6, CSB)*

*"But if you are without discipline—which all receive—then you are illegitimate children and not sons." (Hebrews 12:8, CSB)*

**First Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

*"My son, do not...lose heart when you are reproved by him,"  
(Hebrews 12:5, CSB)*

**Second Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

*"...the Lord disciplines those he loves..." (Hebrews 12:6a, NIV84)*

**Third Level:** \_\_\_\_\_

*"...the Lord...punishes everyone he accepts as a son.""  
(Hebrews 12:6b, NIV84)*

*"That is why many of you are weak and sick and some have even died." (1 Corinthians 11:30, NLT)*

*"...there is a sin that leads to death" (1 John 5:16b, NLT)*

*"No discipline is enjoyable while it is happening—it's painful! But afterward there will be a peaceful harvest of right living for those who are trained in this way." (Hebrews 12:11, NLT)*

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## **4 Simple Steps to Become a Member of Dogwood Church**

### **1. Trust in Jesus**

Turn from your sin and place your faith in Jesus Christ alone as your Savior, Lord, and God.

### **2. Be Baptized**

Follow Jesus in believer's baptism as a public expression of your personal faith in Him.

### **3. Complete the Belong Class**

Join our Belong Class to learn who we are, what we believe, and what membership means.

### **4. Make the Membership Commitment**

After completing the class, sign the Belong/Membership Commitment.