

Anniversary Service 2018

Fruitfulness, Past & Future

John 15:1-13 \ 1 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. 2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. 3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. 5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. 6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. 7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. 8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. 9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. 10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. 11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. 12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. 13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Jesus said if you abide in Him you'll be fruitful!

For us to accomplish the even great things that God has in store for us in the future, it will occur as we continue to press into deeper levels of abiding in Him.

Lack of fruitfulness is never about location!

Fruitfulness has everything to do with connection over location.

You cannot achieve true confidence and faith without time with the Spirit of God where he reveals the mystery and purpose for your life.

1 Corinthians 2:9-12 \ 9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. 10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. 11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

V9 - God has so many wonderful things planned for your life!
V10 - but we cannot have the faith and confidence to receive those things unless they are revealed to us by the Spirit of God during intimate times with God

1 Corinthians 14:2 \ For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

Your greatest places in God are mysteries that must be revealed to you by God's Spirit as you have intimate, personal moments of prayer

You cannot find those moments by simply being busy for God and busy about life!

Luke 10:38-42 \ 38 As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. 40 But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" 41 "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, 42 but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

Jesus pointed out the more important work for us is pressing into Him.

Matthew 6:9-13 \ 9 "This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in

heaven, hallowed be your name, 10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us today our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”

Acknowledge God for who He is in worship and hallow Him in your heart.

10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Acknowledge His will for your life.

11 Give us today our daily bread.

Thank God for His provision for the day by faith.

And turn to the true daily bread, God's Word, for guidance

12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

Remind yourself that you are forgiven and the righteousness of God.

And afford that same mercy and grace to others.

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Be sensitive to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Colossians 1:12-13 \ 12 giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. 13 He has delivered us from the power of darkness and [c]conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love

During your time of prayer, don't beg God to deliver you.

Thank Him for your deliverance and run the devil off in Jesus name!

We must spend time praying in the Holy Ghost, purposing to walk in love with others and to have compassion for others!

Jude 1:20-22 \ 20 “But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, 21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. 22 And of some have compassion, making a difference:”

Without this time with Jesus, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, we simply cannot be who God has called us to be.

John 15:7-8 \ "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples."

When our hearts are securely fixed within Him, we can know that what is in our heart is His heart.

That is where we find the faith, confidence, assurance, and power to move towards His plan and succeed!