

Sermon Worksheet, 6/28/09

Passage: John 15:1-27

Theme: I am God's Temple No.5

*Don't you know that
you yourselves are
God's temple and that
God's Spirit lives in
you? (1 Cor 3:16)*



Observations:

- 1) Underline the phrases “**(to) bear fruit**” in this passage. Explain the parable of the true vine by stating who the gardener is, who the vine is, and who the branches are. What are the two things that the Father does for the vine “**so that it will be even more fruitful**”?
- 2) Underline the verb “**to choose**” in this passage. Who chose the disciples, and out of where were they chosen? What was Jesus’ purpose of choosing the disciples?
- 3) What kind of a relationship have the disciples come to have with the world as a result of having been chosen as Jesus’ disciples (vv. 18ff)? What kind of a role did the disciples come to have for the world, and who would help them with that (vv. 26-27).

Personal Applications:

- 1) Are you one of the branches coming out of the true vine? What is your purpose as a branch? What are the things you need to keep in mind in order to fulfill that purpose?
- 2) Do you believe that you are one of those who were chosen by Jesus? What makes you think that way? What if somebody thinks that he/she chose Jesus, what kinds of words and attitudes do you expect to hear and see?
- 3) In what way do you think the world now hates you because of Jesus’ name (be specific)? What kinds of actions do you expect to see if a Christian still desires to be loved by the world? How does the Holy Spirit help us in this regard?

Prayers, and etc.

- 1) Thank the Father and Jesus that you were chosen by God, and pray that you would fulfill the purpose of it as you remain in their love and keep their commands.
- 2) Pray for your group, and your family that God will unite them more in love to bear more fruit.
- 3) Continue to pray for “**everyone**” and “**all the saints**”—especially, for those who need to be connected to the true vine. Pray also for the recent and the future newcomers. Don't forget to act, too: write E-mails, cards, etc.