

## John 15

John 14-17 about entering into the **Love** environment in the Trinity

Jesus (Cross) made a Dwelling Place for us in the Father (Jn 14:2)

Jesus/Father (indwelling Holy Spirit) made a Dwelling Place for Them in us (Jn 14:23)

Greater Works of the Father (Jn 14:12) follow Abiding in the Dwelling Place

- 1-6** <sup>1</sup> Vine - Jesus (Life), branches - us, Vinedresser - Father  
<sup>2</sup> two types of branches in Him  
not bearing fruit - taken away/lifted up bearing fruit - pruned/cleansed  
<sup>3</sup> **Word** cleanses - same root as pruned (Jn 13:10 foot washing, **Eph 5:26**)  
ongoing work of His **Word** in us  
<sup>4-5</sup> Abide in Him, Him in us (same root Jn 14:2, 23) - nothing or much fruit  
He is always at work in us to make us Fruitful (**vs 8**)  
Fruitful & Multiply (spiritual) - Adam, Noah, Israel (Gen 1:28, 9:1, 35:11)  
He does the work - we work with Him by Abiding, not for Him with our ideas  
all work must come from Abiding in the Dwelling Place/Him (Ps 127:1)  
<sup>6</sup> third type of branch - not in Him (cast outside and burned)  
not what you do, Who you know (**Mt 7:21-23**)
- 7-10** How do we Abide in Him? (context: He's leaving - Presence not required)  
<sup>7</sup> His cleansing **Word in us**  
<sup>9</sup> revelation of His **Love** - intentional awareness  
<sup>10</sup> **Obedience** - Jesus' example (Jn 14:31)  
**Love** obeys (Jn 14:15, 21), **Obedience** keeps us in His **Love** (compromise - dullness)
- 11** His motive is our Joy
- 12-17** <sup>12</sup> One commandment - **Love** (Jn 13:34) - intentional awareness, intentional **Love**  
<sup>13</sup> His example of **Love** is Sacrificial  
<sup>14-15</sup> **Obedience** makes us Friends (vs servants), qualify for inside information  
<sup>16</sup> He Chooses Friends to Appoint them for Eternal Fruit  
<sup>17</sup> all about being motivated by **Love**
- 18-21** Appointed to **Love** in environment of hatred and persecution  
(**1Pe 4:12-13**) <sup>12</sup>Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; <sup>13</sup>but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.  
perspective on verse 11 - supernatural Joy
- 22-25** sin - rejecting Testimony of Jesus: Word and Works of the Father  
everyone is responsible for what they do with the Testimony of Jesus
- 26-27** Holy Spirit continues the Testimony of Jesus through us