

A close-up photograph of a grapevine. The image is filled with vibrant green, serrated leaves. Several clusters of small, round, unripe green grapes are visible, hanging from the branches. The lighting is natural, highlighting the texture of the leaves and the smooth surface of the grapes. The overall scene is lush and healthy.

The Fruitful Life

John 15: 1-11

STAY CLEAN

“I am the true vine and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away.”

- *“I am the true vine”* – genuine, authentic, real
- **Charles Ryrie** - 5 types of fruit
 - Character (Gal 5:22-23) Conduct (Col 1:10)
 - Converts (1 Cor 16:15) Continual Praise (He 13:15)
 - Contributions (Rom 15:28)
- *“taken away”* - take up, lift up

STAY CLIPPED

“Every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it that it may bear more fruit”

- The need for pruning - *“every branch”*
- The tool used for pruning – *“the Word”* (15:3)
- The purpose for pruning - *“that it may bear more fruit”*

STAY CONNECTED

“Abide in Me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine you are the branches; he who abides in me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.”

- *“abide”* - to remain attached to, to be closely related to

THE FRUITFUL LIFE

- A life of purpose (vs 6)
- A life of powerful ministry (vs 7)
- A life that glorifies God (vs 8)
- A life of genuine love (vs 9-10)
- A life of great joy (vs 11)