



"I am the \_\_\_\_\_; you are the \_\_\_\_\_. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do \_\_\_\_\_." (John 15:5)

### The God-Shaped \_\_\_\_\_

#### The home

...\_\_\_\_\_ them \_\_\_\_\_ in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (Eph 6:1-4)



#### The church

...a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the truth. (1 Tim 3:14-15)

Tremendous blessings, but neither being \_\_\_\_\_ into the home of Christians nor \_\_\_\_\_ the assemblies of Christians will make me a branch of the vine.

### The Blessing of \_\_\_\_\_

Parents? Grandparents? Spouse? Friends? A local church?

Tremendous blessings, but connection *only* to them makes you a \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_, not necessarily a branch of the vine.

And what happens in a storm?



### Developing a Personal Connection to the Vine

- Brought to \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph 2:1-10) and \_\_\_\_\_ in among the other branches (Rom 11:17)
- \_\_\_\_\_ in him (John 15:4) by living \_\_\_\_\_ him (Rom 12:1-2) and following his \_\_\_\_\_ (John 15:10)
- Thirsting for his \_\_\_\_\_ and fertilizing my life with \_\_\_\_\_ (John 15:7)
- Trusting his \_\_\_\_\_ (John 15:2)
- Bearing the \_\_\_\_\_ of his Spirit (Gal 5:22-23) to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Father (John 15:8)
- That my \_\_\_\_\_ might be full (John 15:11)