The Branches - Lesson 23

Controversy	Contrast	Necessity of Fruit	Application
15:2 - if both branches are "in Him" wouldn't that make both branches believers? clean/unclean fruit/no fruit abiding/leaving Jn 10:28 - Jesus gives those who abide in Him - eternal life, not perish, no one will snatch Jn 6:37 - all the Father gives to Jesus will come to Jesus and will not be cast out Jn 17:12 - Jesus is keeping us, Jesus guards them, not one would perish except for the son of perdition **Limited relationship** Lk 8:18 - there are some who think they have and it is taken away Rom 11:20 - branches broken off because of their unbelief II Cor 13:5 - test ourselves to see if we are in the faith I John 2:19 - if they are part of the vine, they will stay with the vine, abide in the vine and bear fruit Matt 7:21-23 - many believe they are in the vine but are not "Fan not a Follower"	Bearing - pruned - abiding in the Vine - bear fruit - serving of the Lord Non-Bearing - cut away - don't bear fruit - dry up - gathered - burned - not serving the Lord - not keeping His commandments - not abiding in the vine - superficial attachment	Gal 5:22-23 - fruit of Spirit Eph 2:10 - walk in the works that God prepared for us James 2:17, 22 - genuine faith will produce works - faith and obedience go hand in hand (Luke 23:39-43) Matt 7:16-17, 20 - you will know them by their fruits Matt 12:33 - known by the fruit Matt 3:7-8 - bear fruit in keeping with repentance Romans 6:20-22 - enslaved to God - you will be sanctified - set apart from the world - we look different, act different, and talk different	What is your vine? things that people might attach themselves to . . . - Pastor - church - traditions - false doctrines - family - fame - medicine man - culture - bank accounts - translations of the Bible - legalism - drugs and alcohol - friends - relationships - education - yourself - jobs - sports church - this can become a parasitic relationship programs in the church!