John 15

King James Version (KJV)

15 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

²Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. (The husbandman will prune off all the branches that do not produce fruit. Jesus is the tree of life; we are those branches. Those of us that refuse Jesus will end up in the lake of fire) see Revelation-20:12-15

(God is using a horticulture metaphor. HE will strengthen the people who do His works, and cut off those who refuse Him)

- ³ Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. (Following the Word of God will cleanse us spiritually)
- ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. (We need the grace and salvation of Jesus, to produce spiritual fruit; like the branch needs the vine that feeds it)
- ⁵I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. (All spiritual wisdom and knowledge comes from God. All blessings come from God)
- ⁶ If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. (Jesus is using horticulture to teach us about the Kingdom of God)

NOTE: (A preacher or a church that doesn't teach God's Word; chapter by chapter, verse by verse amounts to nothing. They are teaching traditions of men which make void the Word of God. Their congregation remains Biblically illiterate) Mark-7:13

- If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. (If we are working to advance God's Word in the world, HE will provide what we need)
- *Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my <u>disciples</u>. (Disciple one who is <u>disciplined</u> <in God's Word>)

(We bring people to God in order to glorify Him and to give them salvation)

- ⁹ As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: <u>continue</u> ye in my love. (Continue = abide, rest bad translation; it is the same word that was translated abide, in previous verses)
- ¹⁰ If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. (We all know the law <the Ten Commandments>. We must choose to follow it or to follow the ways of the world. The two are incompatible. We all choose our own fate in the next Age)
- ¹¹ These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full. (The apostles will carry God's Word forward after Jesus has returned to Paradise)

(Living a good moral life in God's Word brings us joy and peace of mind. We know that this messed up world is only temporary. It won't last. We'll be off to a far better place)

- ¹²This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. (Love God above all. Love your fellow man as you would have God love you)
- ¹³ Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for <u>his friends</u>. (God proved it to us at the crucifixion) (God is calling us His friend, not His servant)
- ¹⁴Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. (This is good advice - Stay in His Word and you'll be alright going through this world. Otherwise, the world will eat you up)
- ¹⁵ Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. (Jesus and all the prophets told us everything that we need to know. It's up to us to carry it out. Don't let the ways of the world drive you into the ditch)
- ¹⁶Ye have not chosen me, <u>but I have chosen you</u>, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you. (The Elect were chosen by God during the First Age, because HE knew that they were loyal and dependable. When Satan

rebelled against God, in the First Age, he drew a lot of souls with him. The Elect stood by God, against Satan) Ephesians-1:4, Romans-8:26

(Jesus' disciples were among the Elect from the First Age. That's why all He had to do was say - Follow me; and they all gladly followed Him. HE didn't need an "altar call" to convince them. They instinctively knew that they should follow Him and learn from Him)

Note: (At the end of this Age, the Elect will stand against antichrist to testify against him. The Holy Spirit will speak through them. That will bring down Satan's one world system) Mark-13, Matthew-24, Like-21

- ¹⁷ These things I command you, that ye love one another. (The Elect will do that when they witness for God in the synagogue of antichrist. Their testimony will wake up many people from their stupor and show them the path to salvation)
- ¹⁸ If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. (They beat and crucified Jesus. They'll continue to hate all Christians just as much as they hated Him)

NOTES: (In US and Canadian schools today, they push Islam as "the religion of peace", but they condemn anyone who even mentions Jesus or Christianity. They have banned prayer, for political correctness)

(Islam is the cult of the devil. Mohammad was a robber, rapist and murderer. And he is their purported "prophet". Those who wake up and try to leave Islam are murdered by other Muslims. How ignorant can people be?)

- ¹⁹ If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. (This ignorant world loves atheists and Muslims. We choose God over the ways of the world)
- ²⁰ Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. (Everyone must choose their own path. Make Christianity available to others, like God made Christianity available to us. But, make it their choice)

NOTE: (Be wiser than the serpent. Advance God's Word to those who want it; but never forget what you are up against. The world will try to destroy you if you let your guard down)

- ²¹ But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. (They don't want to know God. They enjoy their perversions and luxuries in this world. The corrupt world will love the fallen angels when they return) see Jude
- ²² If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin. (Now that Jesus taught them God's Word, they had no more excuses. They knew that they were committing evil deeds. That's why they hated Jesus so much)
- ²³ He that hateth me hateth my Father also. (Jesus is God in the flesh. They are one and the same God, in different forms)
- ²⁴ If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. (The many miracles were proof that God sent Jesus. Instead of joining Him and learning the right way to live; they chose to continue in the ways of the world)

(They hated Jesus because He was a reminder that they were doing wrong. HE showed us right from wrong, and they still chose wrong. They were not innocent anymore)

²⁵ But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. Psalms-35:19, Psalms-69:4

(They had no reason to hate Jesus. HE did nothing but good deeds. They hated Him because He exposed their sins, their lusts and their perversions)

- ²⁶ But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: (One God, many offices. They are all the same God, in different forms)
- ²⁷ And ye also shall bear witness, <u>because ye have been with me from the beginning</u>. (God chose the Elect in the First Age) Jeremiah-1:5