

# WE MUST ABIDE TO BEAR SPIRITUAL FRUIT

## BIG TRUTH: WE MUST ABIDE TO BEAR SPIRITUAL FRUIT

Psalm 1; Philippians 1:9-11; Matthew 3:8; Mark 4:20; Romans 7:4; Matthew 12:34

## BIBLE VERSE: JOHN 15:5

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."*

## BIG IDEAS

- Everyone is bearing the fruit of the flesh or the Spirit.
- We cannot bear the fruit of the Spirit unless we abide.
- Abiding leads to constant repentance and obedience.

## BIBLE PASSAGE: GALATIANS 5:16-25; JOHN 15:1-11

## UNITE - I AM CALLED

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

## SERIES AIMS



### Every student should know that...

- Every good gift comes from the Father.
- They have been specifically and uniquely gifted to bring God glory.
- Spiritual gifts are given for the edification of the body of Christ.



### Every student should feel...

- Thankful for the various gifts God has given their church family.
- Convicted of the ways they bear the fruit of the flesh.
- Secure in their standing as God's children through the Holy Spirit



### Every student should strive to...

- Pursue unity with other members of their church family.
- Use their gifts for the good of God's people.
- Practice regular repentance and obedience.



### Every student should want...

- To be known for loving others like Jesus loves.
- To learn more about their spiritual gifts and the gifts of others.
- To both suffer and rejoice with God's people

## FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder what it looks like to discuss with our son or daughter abiding in Jesus. We will pray for their hearts to desire to be led by the Holy Spirit. We will lead them to practice pursuing Christ.

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**Read and meditate on Galatians 5:16-25 and John 15:1-11 this week.**

As you meditate on these verses, use these questions to help you:

- How can you model being led by the Holy Spirit to your son or daughter this week? What does it look like for you to help your son or daughter understand daily repentance and obedience?
- Ponder if you see the fruit of the Spirit or the fruit of the flesh in the life of your student. If you see the fruit of the Spirit, how can you encourage them and affirm them by calling out the work of the Spirit in their lives? If you see the fruit of the flesh, how can you share the truth in love by urging your student to repent and believe in Christ?

**Ponder how you can model confessing and repenting of sin and obeying God daily to your son or daughter.**

- What are some ways you can help your son or daughter understand how to repent and obey?



**Pray for your son or daughter this week.**

- Ask God to help them have a heart that desires to be led by the Spirit.
- Pray with your student this week. As you pray together model asking God to help you have a heart that willingly obeys Him.



**Discuss with your son or daughter a plan for him or her to study the Bible daily this week.**

- Help them come up with a practical way to pursue Christ through His Word this week.
- Discuss with your student some ways that he or she can overcome challenges in confessing sin to others.