## John

## **CHAPTER 15**

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

**2** Every branch in Me that bears not fruit He takes away: and every *branch* that bears fruit, He purges it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

**3** Now you are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

**4** Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can you, except you abide in Me.

**5** I am the vine, you *are* the branches: He that abides in Me, and I in Him, the same brings forth much fruit: for without Me you can do nothing.

**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.

7 If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you.

**8** Herein is My Father glorified, that you bear much fruit; so shall you be My disciples.

**9** As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you: continue in My love.

**10** If you keep My commandments, you shall abide in My love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in His love.

11 These things have I spoken unto you, that My joy might remain in you, and *that* your joy might be full.

**12** This is My commandment, That you love one another, as I have loved you.

13 Greater love has no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends.

**14** You are My friends, if you do whatsoever I command you.

**15** Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knows not what His lord does: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of My Father I have made known unto you.

**16** You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that you should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever you shall ask of the Father in My name, He may give it you.

**17** These things I command you, that you love one another.

**18** If the world hate you, you know that it hated me before *it hated* you.

**19** If you were of the world, the world would love His own: but because you are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

**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.

**21** But all these things will they do unto you for My name's sake, because they know not Him that sent Me.

22 If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin.

**23** He that hates Me hates My Father also.

**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.

**25** But *this comes to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated Me without a cause.

**26** But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He shall testify of Me:

**27** And you also shall bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.