SERMON OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

Union with Christ John 15:1-8

MAIN THOUGHT & OUTLINE

Only when you are a true branch in Christ the vine will you be able to bear fruit to the glory of God.

- **I.** The True Vine and the Vinedresser (v.1)
- **II.** True Branches Abiding in the Vine (v.2-4)
- **III.** True Branches Bearing Much Fruit (v.5-8)

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

- 1. How is abiding in the Word related to the command to "abide in Me"? Compare v.3 and v.7
- 2. In what ways have you been lazy or complacent to produce "much fruit"? Why? What does this passage teach you about how to correct that?
- **3.** How does v.7 encourage your prayer life? Do you believe this promise of Christ? Read John 13-16 this week and note other times Jesus makes this promise.
- **4.** Boys & Girls what do you think it means to "bear fruit"? Where would you find the answer? What are some examples of good spiritual fruit?

FURTHER READING: Psalm 80; Isa 5:1-7; Jn 13:10; Gal 5:22-26; Col 3:16