

Gospel of John: Teachings of the Master- Week 10: John 15:26-27

June Memory Verse: John 15:1-2 (ESV) *“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ² Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.”*

1. The Helper: The Spirit of Truth.

John 15:26 (ESV) *But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father; he will bear witness about me.*

2 Cor. 4:1-4 (ESV) *Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. ² But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God’s word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone’s conscience in the sight of God. ³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴ In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.*

2. And you also will bear witness.

John 15:27 (ESV) *And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.*

Acts 1:8 (ESV) *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.*

Romans 15:18-20 (ESV) ¹⁸ *For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles to obedience—by word and deed, ¹⁹ by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God—so that from Jerusalem and all the way around to Illyricum I have fulfilled the ministry of the gospel of Christ; ²⁰ and thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else’s foundation*

Rom. 6:4 (ESV) *We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.*

Rom. 10:14-15 (ESV) ¹⁴ *How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?* ¹⁵ *And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"*

Maybe God is calling you to: _____ . **(fill in the blank.)**

Close:

Interpretation: *Follow up questions.*

- How would you define your relationship with the Holy Spirit?
- How does the Holy Spirit guide us to truth?
- The Holy Spirit bears witness about Jesus, and so do disciples? How can we connect these two truths to better understand the Spirit's role in sharing the gospel? (Acts 1:8)
- How can we understand the Spirit's role in our spiritual warfare? (1 Cor. 4:1-4)
- How can we be a witness for Jesus in our daily lives? (Romans 10:14-15)

Application: *Action Steps.*

- Pray about one specific way you can bear witness to Christ.
- Prayerfully consider how you can share the gospel with one person.