

Series: Revolution: Under the Hood

Sermon: Relying on God

Bible Verses: John 15:1-8

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PROBLEM: If we don't _____ "fruit", God will cut us out and throw us into the _____.

Israel thought of their country as " _____ " (planted by God himself), but Jesus referred to himself as " _____."

_____, protection, nourishment, and all good things now flow through _____ and not a nation.

God _____ breaks a branch off _____ prepares it to become even better.

We are to _____ in or _____ in Jesus!

- Meaning: spend time with Jesus, enjoy him, _____ the life that he offers! Jesus is the vine offering us, the branches, _____ giving and soul strengthening _____!

CORE VALUE #10: Relying on God. "We confess our _____ on God for _____, and seek to deepen our intimacy with Him by living _____."

The lie: just _____ to be good.

The truth: remain in Jesus, _____ with God, take in his life and _____ produce fruit.

As I rely upon God more and more (especially _____), I find that his resources are inexhaustible. It doesn't depend on my _____, only on my _____ to let him fill me up!

Practical Ways to Abide in Christ:

First, remember, these aren't about legalistic _____. These are ways to live with Jesus and let him fill you with life.

- _____

- Scripture reading

- _____ on Scripture

- Christian fellowship

- _____

- Singing in Worship

- Trusting him in _____, but God honoring situations

Growth Group Prep

- How would you rephrase "relying on God" in a way that a child could understand?
- Why do we tend to "work, work, work" to do good things? Why do we think it depends on our effort?
- What area of your life do you find it very difficult to rely on God, right now? Why do you think that is?
- What are the major differences between "relying on God" and working ourselves to the bone?
- What's the major differences between "relying on God" and being lazy?