

# The Relationship of Jesus to the People of the World

## John 15:01–08

<p><b>1. <i>Jesus, the Vine;</i> <i>God, the Gardener;</i> <i>man, the branch</i></b></p> <p><b>2. <i>Unfruitful branches:</i> <i>Are taken away</i></b></p> <p><b>3. <i>Fruitful branches:</i> <i>Are pruned</i></b></p> <p>a. The purpose for pruning: To bear more fruit</p> <p>b. How branches are pruned</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1) By the Word</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2) By abiding, remaining in Christ</p> <p><b>4. <i>Unattached branches</i></b></p> <p>a. Are by themselves: Not attached or abiding</p> <p>b. Cannot bear fruit</p> <p>c. Do not understand the nature of bearing fruit: Can do nothing apart from Christ</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1) Must abide in Christ to bear fruit</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2) Can do nothing apart from Christ</p> <p>d. Are doomed: Gathered, thrown away, burned</p>	<p>1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.</p> <p>2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.</p> <p>3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.</p> <p>4 Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.</p> <p>5 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.</p> <p>6 If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.</p>
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**5. Attached branches:**  
***The results and promises***

- a. Receive nourishment — answered prayers
- b. Glorify God
- c. Prove their attachment — discipleship

7 If you remain in me  
and my words remain in you,  
ask whatever you wish,  
and it will be given you.

8 This is to my Father's glory,  
that you bear much fruit,  
showing yourselves to be my disciples.