

SERMON NOTES

Series: Building Upon the Firm

Foundation of God's Word

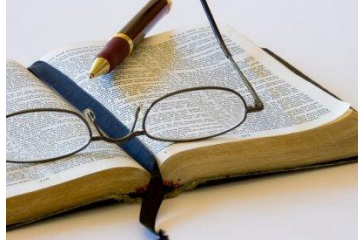
Title: By Understanding the
Meaning of a Passage (IV)

Text: John 15:1-17

Topic: How to do a Good Bible Study

Teacher: Pastor Barry. Time: 8/21/22

File Under: Christian Living



"If anyone doesn't remain in me, he's like a branch that's thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned." John 15:6

Rules of Interpretation...1. Consider the historical context. 2. Define the key words. 3. Interpret unclear verses with clear ones. 4. Look for the most obvious meaning.

The purpose of a fruit tree is to_____. Branches disconnected from the fruit tree are no good, except for _____.

"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask whatever you wish, and it will be given to you!" John 5:7 He's talking about_____.

Remaining in Christ produces_____.

Prayer can do anything that God can do!

You can _____ God for unanswered prayer because God, in His infinite wisdom, has something _____ in mind. When you pray, don't ask God for what _____ think is good for you. Ask God for what _____ thinks is good for you.

"I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it." (14:13)

Answered prayer _____ to God.

When I pray and ask for things and then God gives it to me, it brings glory to God because it shows how_____.

"Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete!" (16:24)

Answered prayer gives me_____!

Over twenty times in the New Testament we are commanded to_____.
"You have not because you ask not." James

Jesus, in his final words says, I want you to_____. When you don't pray, you don't_____, you_____.

BEARING FRUIT

comes by remaining in Christ, brings glory to God,
gives me complete joy.

ANSWERED PRAYER

comes from remaining in Christ, brings glory to God,
gives me complete joy.

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit-- fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name!" (15:16)

I bear fruit by_____. Prayer is the _____ to everything God wants to do in your life.

God does not want prayer to be your_____. He wants it to be the_____.

*Much prayer, much fruit.
Little prayer, little fruit.
No prayer, no fruit.*