

## *I Am-Jesus in His Own Words*

### **2. The True Vine**

September 23-24, 2017

#### **Icebreaker**

-What's your most embarrassing password? (Nothing current!)

-When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up? Are there any surprises?

#### **Discipleship**

1. How did it go this week with putting into practice what you heard God say last week?
2. What stood out to you this week from your I AM devotional?

#### **For Discussion**

*Watch the following video that is a recap of the weekend message...*

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Then, read John 15:1-17 aloud and take some time to pray together before you break into groups of three to answer the questions.

1. So many things in our lives offer us the "perfect life" if we only connect our lives to them. What significance does it make that Jesus said "I am the true vine"?
2. Fruit comes only from branches that remain attached to the vine. What does a fruitful human life practically look like?
3. Describe 3 areas of your life that will look different when we connect to Jesus (the true vine)? Why is it impossible to stay the same?
4. Share about a time when someone unexpectedly showed you love when you did not expect it. What happened?
5. Why is love what matters most in the life of the Christian?
6. What is one thing you are going to do this week in response to what you heard God say?

#### **Challenge/Prayer**

**ACTION STEP** - When we remain connected to Jesus, the true vine, we as branches will produce fruit. We produce fruit through BLESSing others. The weekend message spoke about Inviting Your One to church, who specifically will you begin to pray for this week?

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