

The Necessity of Abiding

John 15:1-4

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. **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. **3** You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. **4** Remain in me, as I also 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.”

We Were Created to Produce

Acts 13:36

“Now when **David** had **served God’s** purpose in **his** own **generation**, he fell asleep; he was buried with **his** ancestors and **his** body decayed.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God’s handiwork, **created** in Christ Jesus **to do good works**, which God prepared in advance for us **to** do.

For Us to Do Good Works We Need Several Things

A Vine, a Root Stock

John 15:1 “I am the true vine...”

It is the sole Provider nourishment, stability, strength.

Without out root stock the branch withers and dies.

John 15:5

“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in **me** and I in you, you will bear much fruit; **apart from me** you can do **nothing**.

Scion: i.e. “branch that bears of fruit”

Without out the root stock it is worthless

Cambium - Small layer just under the bark. The cambium for grafted branches has to directly align with the rootstock.

You Need a Gardner

The gardener does several things. He alone grafts the limbs.
Aligns the cambium. The gardener has sole responsibility for
the production of the tree

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Ever Wonder Why?

Romans 8:28

And we know all things work together for the good of those that love God and are called according to their purpose.

That is the introduction. Here is my one point

For Grafts to Work They Must Remain in the Rootstock.

John 15:4

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You And I Were Born with a Disease Called Sin.

We only produce.

Galatians 5:19-21

19 The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;**20** idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions **21** and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Without Being Grafted into The Vine, You Will Never Produce What the Heart Desires.

Love, joy, peace contentment.

Apart from me you can do nothing.