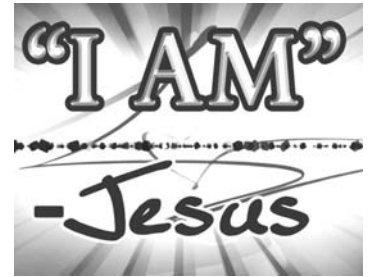


# I Am the True Vine

## John 15: 1-11



### **An extended metaphor with three elements**

Jesus is the vine (v. 1)

The father is the vinedresser (v. 1)

People are the branches (vs. 2-3, 6)

### **Believers are to abide in Jesus**

There is union in Christ (v. 4)

There is fellowship with Christ (vs. 4-5)

There is failure without Christ (v. 5)

There is pruning in Christ (v. 2)

### **Evidences of the "abiding life"**

Answered prayer (v. 7)

God is Glorified (v. 8)

A sense of the Savior's love (v. 9)

Obedience to His Word (v. 10)

A joy that is complete (v. 11)