**I am Jesus  - I am the True Vine 01/26/25**

**Key Scripture:** John 15:5
"I am the vine, you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much \_\_\_\_\_\_\_; apart from me you can do \_\_\_\_\_\_\_."

**Understanding the True Vine**

1. Jesus said, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ vine." (John 15:1)
	* This implies there are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ vines we might mistakenly connect to.
2. Reflect: What are some "false vines" in your life that you need to detach from?
	* Example: Pursuing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for fulfillment.

**Abiding in Christ**

1. To bear fruit, we must \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Christ. (John 15:4)
	* Abiding means maintaining a close, daily \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus.
2. Reflect: What practices help you stay connected to Jesus?
	* Examples: Daily \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Bearing Fruit**

1. The fruit of the Spirit includes love, joy, peace, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5:22-23)
2. Reflect: Which fruits are evident in your life, and which need more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**The Consequences of Disconnection**

1. Jesus warns that branches not connected to the vine will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and be thrown into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (John 15:6)
2. Reflect: How does disconnection affect your spiritual life and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

**Loving Like Jesus**

1. Jesus commands us to love each other as He has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us. (John 15:12)
2. Reflect: How can you demonstrate Christ-like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in your daily interactions?

**Prayer:**
"Lord, help me to stay connected to You, the true vine. May I bear much fruit and love others as You have loved me. Amen."

This handout is designed to reinforce the key points of the sermon and encourage personal reflection and application.