

# The Perspicuity of Scripture & Misunderstandings

## The Vine & the Branches

**John 15:1** I am the true vine, and My Father is { the vinedresser -- NASB & RSV / the husbandman -- KJV / the gardener -- NIV }

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**2** Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He { takes away -- NASB & KJV / cuts off -- NIV } \_\_\_\_\_;

and every branch that bears fruit, { He prunes it -- NASB & NIV / He purges it -- KJV } \_\_\_\_\_ so that it may bear more fruit.

**4** Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me.

**5** I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

**6** If anyone does not abide in Me, ~~—he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and—~~ they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned.

**Acts 4:24** And when they heard this, they lifted their voices to God with one accord and said,  
"O Lord, it is You who made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that is in them..."

**John 12:32** And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself.

**Galatians 5:22** the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace...

**Matthew 26:29** But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom.

**Hebrews 12:2** ~~—fixing—~~ **So let us just keep** our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith {i.e., the One who brings our faith to completion},  
who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Ecclesiastes 9:7** Go then, eat your bread in happiness and drink your wine with a cheerful heart; for God has already approved your works.

**John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly

**John 17:13** But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My joy made full in themselves.

**1 Corinthians 6:9-10** Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.

**11** Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

**Hebrews 10: 22** Let us draw near with ~~a sincere heart~~ a true inner self in full assurance of faith, ~~having our hearts sprinkled clean~~  
**our hearts having been cleansed** from an evil conscience

**Psalms 145:14** The LORD ~~sustains~~ **holds up** all who fall and raises up all who are bowed down.

**Proverbs 11:30** The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life

**Psalms 1:2-3** But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers.

**John 3:5** Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of ~~water and the Spirit~~ **water, that is the Spirit,** he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."

**Romans 5:5** ...the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through ~~the~~ Holy Spirit who was given to us.

**Ephesians 3:16-17** ...that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love...

**John 3:8** The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit.

**John 15:9** Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love.

**11** These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.