

Pause for a few moments and pray with your leader, that God would help you with that fruit.

We prayed for this together!

This week, and every week, seek to follow Jesus more and more closely, so you can see the path ahead, so He can help you become more and more like Him.

**REVIEW**

Psalm 20:7-8 – “Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God. They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm.”

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**BOOKS OF THE BIBLE**

**REVIEW**

Ezra Psalms  
Nehemiah Proverbs  
Esther Ecclesiastes  
Job Song of Songs

**MEMORIZE**

Isaiah (eye-zay-ah)  
Jeremiah (jair-uh-my-uh)  
Lamentations  
Ezekiel (e-zeek-yul)

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**“ROAR”** (that’s lion for “Well done!”)

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“Jesus: Light & Vine.” Well done!

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**JESUS: LIGHT & VINE**

Last time we learned about Jesus, we learned that He is the “bread of life” and “living water,” satisfying the hunger and quenching the thirst of our souls. Nothing and no one else can do what Jesus can do for us.

This time, we will learn two more important things about Jesus.

**“I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD”**

Today, lights are everywhere. Street lights. Yard lights. Head lights. Phone lights. But, just imagine a world with far fewer lights. That’s what the world was like when Jesus walked the earth, some 2000 years ago. So, to a people who knew what darkness was like, Jesus says this:

**MEMORIZE**

John 8:12b – “I am the light of the world. If you follow Me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.”

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To follow Jesus is to not only trust Him to forgive our sins, but it’s also to choose to live life His way, as the Bible teaches us. So, as the verse above says, when we follow Jesus, He will act like a light for us, showing us where to go, what to do, what to say, and how to live.

## REVIEW

**Psalm 119:105 – “Your (God’s) Word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path.”**

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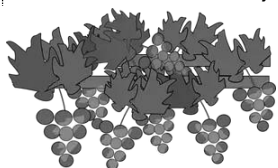
Every day, as you begin your day, ask God to light the path ahead of you, showing you where to go, what to do, and what to say. God promises that He will show us the way, through the Bible and through Jesus, His Son.

## “I AM THE VINE”

Not only does Jesus show us the path of life, but He gives us life. He compares Himself to a vine, and those that follow Him (that trust Him) to branches connected to that vine.

## MEMORIZE

**John 15:5, 8 – “Yes, I am the Vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from Me you can do nothing. ... When you produce much fruit, you are My true disciples. This brings great glory to My Father.”**



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*Disciples:* followers of Jesus, those who trust Him

To “remain” in Jesus is to be closely connected to Him. It’s to trust Him for our salvation and for life. Think of a tree branch. If a branch gets cut off, or if the wind snaps it off, that branch will die because it is no longer connected to the tree. It no longer receives what it needs to live from it.

It's the same with us and Jesus. We need Him, just like a branch needs the tree. Without Him, we won't live forever with God. Without Him, we won't live a life that pleases God. Without Him, we won't produce fruit. Fruit are doing good things for others. Saying kind words, giving a hug to someone who is sad. Fruit is doing what Jesus would do, and saying what He would say.

Later on in the Bible, fruit is described this way:

## MEMORIZE



**Galatians (guh-lay-shuns) 5:22-23 – “But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!”**

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So, according to the Bible, fruit is not just about doing and saying what Jesus would do and say. Fruit is about becoming more and more like Jesus. More loving and joyful. Bringing more and more peace and calmness. More patient, kind, and good. More faithful, gentle and controlling of oneself. That's what Jesus is like, and that's how His followers should and can become. On our own, this is impossible. But, as the verse above says, the Holy Spirit (God's Spirit) gives us the power to make good choices and to become more and more like Jesus. We'll talk more about the Holy Spirit another day.

Which of the above fruit do you have a hard time with:

- Love       Joy       Peace       Patience  
 Kindness       Goodness       Faithfulness       Gentleness  
 Self-Control