

"Loving One Another" (John 15:9-17)

I. **The Ministry of Jesus Christ**

- A. Jesus the **Good Shepherd**
- B. Jesus Ministering in **Judea**
- C. Jesus returns to the **Temple**
- D. Jesus' **Passion Week** in Jerusalem

1. **The UPPER ROOM DISCOURSE**

- A. Jesus Washed the Disciples' Feet (John 13:1-17)
- B. Jesus Exposes the Betrayer (John 13:18-30)
- C. Jesus Gives a New Commandment (John 13:31-38)
- D. Jesus Comforts His Disciples (John 14)
- E. Jesus Teaches on Abiding (John 15)

1. **The Context of John 15:**

- a. Verses 1-11 instruct us about the believer's relationship with _____, and the key term is _____. (15:1-8)
- b. Verses 12-17 instruct us about the believer's relationship with other _____, and the key term is _____. (15:9-17)
- c. Verses 18-27 instruct us about the believer's relationship with the _____, and the key terms are _____ (which is how the world responds to Christ and you) and _____ (which is how you are to respond to the world). (15:18-27)
- d. God's desire for each one of His children is that they _____

2. **Abiding in Christ:** (v 1-8)

- a. Branches that do not bear fruit, He " _____ "
- b. As a branch in Christ's vine, you are commanded to _____ in Him

3. **Abiding in Christ's Love:** (v 9-17)

- a. Jesus _____ you just like the Father loves _____

b. You are to _____ in Jesus' love

c. _____ in Jesus' love is the means of keeping His commandments and vice versa

d. Abiding in Christ's love is _____ and _____ to commandment-keeping or doing the will of God

e. Abiding in Christ's love is where Christ's _____ is found.

f. The **direction** of abiding love is _____

g. The **source** of abiding love is _____

h. The **extent** of this abiding love is _____

i. Jesus refers to us as His _____

* What characterizes us as friends of Christ?

j. As His friends, Jesus _____ us and appointed us to bear _____

* What is an integral part of fruit bearing?

* Why did Jesus command these things?

* What does this mean to me?