



## CHECK-IN

What are you wanting to get out of this study over the next 7 weeks?

## TOES-IN-THE-WATER

- If you had to rate yourself on a scale from Green Thumb to Plant Killer, where would you put yourself? Do you have an example of why you rate yourself that way?
  
- What is something that someone has done for you that helped to bring life to you?

## GET READY

Dead plants don't produce fruit. I know this might seem obvious, but sometimes we live our lives like this statement is not true. We live without a living and thriving relationship with Jesus, and then wonder why we don't see fruit in our lives. In John 15 we read Jesus' words about the key to bearing fruit and experiencing life.

Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me.  
"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. Anyone who



does not remain in me is thrown away like a useless branch and withers. Such branches are gathered into a pile to be burned. But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted! When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father. John 15:4-8 NLT

This passage of Scripture is part of Jesus' words to his disciples before he was arrested and crucified. Jesus knew that he would be leaving his message of life in the hands of the people sitting around the table that night. The message of Jesus is all about bringing life to a broken world. The key to us being able to bring life to others is us staying connected to Jesus.

How is being connected to Jesus helpful to our ability to bring life?

When you become disconnected from God (life group, quiet time, serving) how does that affect your life?

How does our bearing fruit and bringing life bring glory to God?

## TAKE ACTION

Over the next couple of weeks, we are going to be challenged to be bold and take risks as we bring life to different areas of our lives. The truth is, the best way to learn something is by putting it into practice. This study is all about Doing What God Says and seeing how God will use our faithfulness to bring life to others.



This series will be a time for us to tell stories and listen to others as we encourage each other to go out and bring life. We will celebrate our efforts and laugh at our missteps along the way.

Spend this week praying that God will show you how you can bring life through this series. Come back next week and share some ideas about how God wants you to bring life during this series.

## **PRAY TOGETHER**

Pray that God will give you boldness to try something new during this series through you and this group.