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Stuck: Destructive Lies We Tell Ourselves It All Depends on Me

John 15:1–8 (HCSB)

“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vineyard keeper. ² Every branch in Me that does not produce fruit He removes, and He prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit. ³ You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴ Remain in Me, and I in you. Just as a branch is unable to produce fruit by itself unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in Me. ⁵ “I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me. ⁶ If anyone does not remain in Me, he is thrown aside like a branch and he withers. They gather them, throw them into the fire, and they are burned. ⁷ If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you want, and it will be done for you. ⁸ My Father is glorified by this: that you produce much fruit and prove to be My disciples.

If it does not all depend on me, then how does everything get done?

1. UNDERSTAND THE _____

- The vinedresser - _____
- The vine - _____
- The branches - Christ-followers

2. UNDERSTAND THE DIVISION OF _____

- The Father _____ the vines.
- The Son supplies all that is needed to produce fruit.
- The Believer _____ fruit.

3. UNDERSTAND YOUR _____

My job is to:

- _____ God’s tending, shaping, pruning, etc.
- Stay connected to the vine.
- _____ that it does not depend on me, it depends on God.

2 Corinthians 3:5 (HCSB)

It is not that we are competent in ourselves to consider anything as coming from ourselves, but our competence is from God.