

**John 15:5~** I am the vine, you are the branches. He that remains in union with me, and I in union with him, this one bears much fruit,<sup>1</sup> because apart from me you can do nothing at all.

**Footnote: Or, produce**

**1· So again Jesus showed, that he was the vine, and they were the branches of the vine. Therefore anyone who remained in union with him would produce much fruitage. Yet apart from him, persons could produce nothing at all.**

**[Question]** What did Jesus show, that he was, in the illustration of the vine?

**[Question]** What would anyone remaining in union with the root of the vine produce?

**[Question]** Could a dried up dead branch, that had lost its contact with the root of the vine produce anything?

**2· Therefore the measure of a person's fruitage as a Christian, is also an indicator as to whether they remain in union with Christ or not. People who produce nothing, never preaching, never making disciples of others, never cultivating fine spiritual qualities, never coming to know accurately the teachings of Christ and applying them, are not his true disciples. Is this not, what the vast majority of the people of Christendom, are like, for they have not come to know Yehowah God or his Christ?**

**[Question]** What then, serves as an outward indicator of a Christian's unity with Yehowah God and his Christ?

**[Question]** What must be said then about people who claim to be Christians, but who produce no fine spiritual qualities or works?

**[Question]** Who would we have to judge most of the people of Christendom under this standard?

**3· The fruitage of the righteous one is a tree of life, and he that is winning souls is wise. (Proverbs 11:30)**

**[Question]** What is the fruitage of the righteous one like, and how does the preaching of the Good News of the Kingdom, fulfill the later part of this verse?

**4· Ephraim will say; What do I have to do any longer with the idols? I myself shall certainly give an answer, and I shall keep looking on him. I am like a luxuriant juniper tree.**

From me, must **fruit** for you be found. (**Hosea 14:8**)

**[Question]** Can people who continue to worship idols, worship Yehowah God acceptably?

- 5· You did not choose me, but I chose you, and I appointed you to go on and keep bearing **fruit**, and that your **fruit** should remain, in order, that no matter what you ask the Father **for** in my name, he might give it to you. (**John 15:16**)

**[Question]** Who chooses each and every spirit anointed Christian, and what are they appointed to do after that?

- 6· On the other hand, the fruitage of the spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faith, mildness, self-control. Against such things there is no Law. (**Galatians 5:22-23**)

**[Question]** What are some of the fruitages of the Holy Spirit within spirit anointed Christians?

- 7· But others fell upon the fine soil, and, coming up and increasing, they began to yield **fruit**, and they were bearing thirtyfold, and sixty and a hundred. (**Mark 4:8**)

**[Question]** Where do some of the seeds of the preaching of the Good News of the Kingdom fall, and what does fine soil always produce?

- 8· Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus through God's will, to the holy ones who are in Ephesus, and faithful ones in **union** with Christ Jesus. (**Ephesians 1:1**)

**[Question]** Whom did Paul address in his many letters, to upbuild them further?

- 9· And may be filled with righteous **fruit**, which is through Jesus Christ, to God's glory and praise. (**Philippians 1:11**)

**[Question]** What did Paul pray, for anointed Christians he taught, to produce, to whose glory and praise?

- 10· For all things I have the strength, by virtue of him who imparts power to me. (**Philippians 4:13**)

**[Question]** Who gave Paul, and many others, the power to continue in God's service?

