4 Questions for the passage (self-study):

What is God teaching us about Himself? What is God teaching us about our self? What is God teaching us about others? So what?

Rock Solid Series - Gospel of John

Ch 1-2 Discover Truth, Ch 3-4 Ask Questions, Ch 4-5 Build on Evidence, Ch 6-7 Deepen your Faith, Ch 8-9 Face Challenges, Ch 10 Be Discerning, Ch 11-12 Gift of Growth, Ch 13-14 Example Worth Following

Start Right & Finish Strong – Love Gives Strength

"I am the Vine. You are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit. Apart from me, you can do nothing." John 15:5 February 5, 2023 – Pastor Matt

February 5 – Be Connected

February 12 – Marty Preaching February 19 – Be Hopeful February 26 – Be Prayerful

Focus Text: John 15:1-17

Introduction:

- What are your layers of <u>CONNECTION</u>?
- Think of how these **DEEPEN**

Personal Insights:

Life comes from **<u>CONNECTION</u>** vs. 1

• Jesus came that we might have **LIFE**

Why don't people want this? <u>MISUNDERSTAND</u>
Personal Insights: ______

Being an image bearer (<u>HUMAN</u>) does not mean we are <u>CONNECTED</u> to the Image we bear. Vs. 2a

- To many Jesus will say... I **<u>NEVER KNEW</u>**
- Being a **<u>BRANCH</u>** is not enough

Personal Insights:

Connection does not mean no <u>CORRECTION</u> vs. 2b

- What are **<u>DRAWS</u>** on your life?
- Evaluate and MAKE CHANGES

Personal Insights:

Life in Jesus will be known inward as well as **OUTWARD**

- Jesus displayed the <u>I AM</u> statements
- What is true inside cannot be **<u>HIDDEN</u>**

Personal Insights:

Connection with Jesus gives you His heart, His desires, and His <u>PRAYER</u> life

- See what He is doing and **JOIN HIM**
- Not our **<u>DREAMS</u>** but His

Personal Insights:

The tools God has given us to connect with Him are Scripture, Prayer, Experiences, and People. Where are you in the journey of connecting with Him?

SO What – NOW What

Prayer Concerns:

Notes for Personal Study:



SERMON NOTES

The Church that Jesus commissioned is a Church that must be a Disciple-Making Church! The Bible shows a disciple is one who has encountered Christ, been changed by Christ and is following Christ with other believers.

I see the Sunday message as one part of the disciple-making process, so I am intentional with sermon notes. Please note:

- 1. The blanks that are provided are intended to provide a framework for God's message to you.
- 2. The personal insight blanks are intended for you to reflect on what God is saying to you.
- 3. The sermon notes and your notes are intended for us to move through an intentional, discipleship process.

I pray today's message strengthens you in your walk with Jesus and the overflow impacts others!

Pastor Matt