



SERMON QUESTIONS

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Series: Marked

Sermon: What Kind of Tree?

John 13:34-35; 15:1-17

1. According to John 13:34-35, how will the disciples' relationship with Jesus change when He leaves?
2. Why does Jesus call Himself the vine and His disciples the branches?
3. How do you tell the difference between a peach and nectarine tree, apple and crabapple tree, and a white and red mulberry tree? What kinds of fruit do disciples grow? Describe the "fruit" in your life.
4. In John 15:1, Jesus refers to Himself as the "true" vine. Does this mean there are false vines? If so, explain and describe, if possible.
5. How does one abide or remain in Jesus?
6. What is "joy" and how is it different from happiness or pleasure?
7. Explain the difference between obedience that attempts to achieve love versus obedience that flows from love.
8. This series, Marked, has looked at several "marks" of Christ's influence on the genuine disciple. What stood out to you the most from this series? If there was a particular passage or "mark" that impacted you, please explain.9000