



HE IS THE VINE • Part 7

The Fruit of Light

Ephesians 5:8-11

John 1:1-5

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ **In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.** ⁵ **The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

John 8:12

¹² When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. **Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.**"

Matthew 5:14-16

¹⁴ **"You are the light of the world.** A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, **let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Ephesians 5:8-11

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light ⁹ (for **the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth**) ¹⁰ and find out what pleases the Lord. ¹¹ Have nothing to do with **the fruitless deeds of darkness**, but rather expose them.

Shining Salvation

1 Timothy 1:15

¹⁵ Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: **Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—** of whom I am the worst.

He is the vine of salvation, we are the branches bearing the fruit of salvation.

Shining Truth

John 8:31-32

³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, **Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.** ³² **Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."**

He is the vine of truth and wisdom for live, we are the branches bearing the fruit of truth and wisdom.

Shining Love

1 John 2:9-10

⁹ Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates a brother or sister is still in the darkness. ¹⁰ **Anyone who loves their brother and sister lives in the light,** and there is nothing in them to make them stumble.

He is the vine of God's love for others, we are the branches bearing the fruit of God's love for others.

Shining Hope

1 Peter 1:3-4

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy **he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,** ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade...

He is the vine of eternal hope, we are the branches bearing the fruit of resurrection hope.

Dallas Willard

As Jesus' disciple, I am his apprentice in kingdom living. I am learning from him how to lead my life in the Kingdom of the Heavens as he would lead my life if he were I. It is my faith in him that led me to become his disciple. My confidence in him simply means that I believe that he is right about everything: that all that he is and says shows what life is at its best, what it was intended by God to be. "In him was life and the life was the light of men." (John 1:4 NAS)