

“I AM THE TRUE VINE”

(8th Sermon in the Series: “The I AM Sayings of Jesus”)

John 15:1-11

I. Jesus Himself is the True Vine (v. 1a)

II. The Father is the Vinedresser (v. 1b)

A. The cleaning process – *“He takes away” [or, “lifts up”]* (vv. 2a, 3)

B. The pruning process – *“He prunes it”* (v. 2b)

III. Believers are the Branches (v. 5)

IV. Branches are to Abide in the Vine (vv. 4-7, 9-10)

V. Abiding in the Vine Will Produce Fruit (vv. 2, 5, 8, 16)

VI. The Blessings of Fruit Bearing (vv. 7-11)

A. Prayers are answered (v. 7)

B. God is glorified (v. 8)

C. Love is stimulated (vv. 9-10)

D. Joy will overflow (v. 11)