

Today's Worship

Friends,

A Catholic church close to my home often puts out inspirational and sometimes humorous messages on its electronic sign. This is a great way to reach drivers with some biblical encouragement as they drive past. The sign recently had a message that read: "Christ is DiVine. We are DiBranches."

This short line is, of course, taken from John 15:5. This passage reminds us that just as the branches of a grape vine rely on the main vine for the nourishment and energy to bear fruit, so too must we rely on Christ. If the branches of a grape vine are cut off from the main part of the vine, they cannot bear fruit. They must literally stay connected to the vine to bear fruit because they do not have the proper nutrients to produce fruit themselves. It is the exact same way with us and Christ. If we are cut off from Christ, then we have no source of spiritual nourishment, or energy, and ultimately we will not bear fruit. Apart from Christ, we can do nothing.

Let us stay connected to Christ and rely upon Christ in all that we do, so that we can bear fruit, just as a beautiful grape vine in the Springtime.

Blessings,

Pastor Jordan

