

Scripture: Ps. 34

Series John 15 (6)

Singing: 312:1-6 – 293:1-3 – 98:1-4 – 423:4, 7

JESUS CALLS YOU TO ABIDE IN HIM (3)

I. What is abiding? II. How do you abide in Jesus?

III. What is the fruit of your abiding in Jesus ?

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A. An aligning of your prayer life with Jesus' will (7)

1. Jesus' promise seems too good to be true: *ask and it shall be done!*

2. But Jesus' promise is to a heart in whom 'His words abide'

3. When His words abide in us, it will echo in our petitions

B. A holiness in your life that glorifies the Father (8)

1. Jesus' life is the commentary on a glorifying life (John 17:1, 4)

2. To define the details of holiness, you need to study Jesus Himself

3. To live His life, view the cost of His love (Rom. 5:6-8)

C. Your abiding communion in Jesus' love (10)

1. Our Master makes you responsible to keep His commandments

a. He calls you to draw strength from Him (vs. 1, 5)

b. Yet He calls you to use the strength He gives you (vs. 10)

2. Remember that *though sin will never break our union with Jesus Christ, sin will harm your communion with your spiritual Husband*

D. A fullness of your joy that flows from the peace of God through Jesus (vs. 11)

1. Jesus promises to let *His* joy abide in you

a. the joy He experienced, He will let you experience

b. His joy in communion was perfect because He was without sin, except on the cross when He 'was made sin-bearer' (2 Cor. 5:21)

2. How can your joy be full as He experienced?

a. When His Words 'abide' in you (vs. 7, 11)

As we part ...

A. To those who exclude themselves from the comforts of John 15:1-11

B. To those who dare not include themselves in the comforts of John 15:1-11