

Sermon Overview
March 10, 2024

Title: Productive Life
Passage: John 15:1-17

Introduction

Series Purpose: What we _____ about _____ is still a matter of _____ and _____

Question: How do we live _____ lives while we are _____ for Jesus?

Main Point: We live productive lives when we _____ what is _____ by the _____ who _____ us.

Living Productive Lives

Expectation 1: We live _____ lives when we live _____ lives.

Expectation 2: We live _____ lives when we live _____ lives.

Conclusion

Sermon Based Small Group Questions

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Main Point: We live productive lives when we produce what is expected by the One who created us.

1. Read John 15:1-17 as a group. What stands out to you? What questions does it raise? How does it challenge you?
2. Think of a time that you either made something, planted something, or purchased something that didn't produce as expected. What was that experience like?
3. Read Isaiah 5:1-7 together as a group. How does this background help us to understand Jesus' allegory of the vineyard better?
4. What are some things you might do on a regular basis to make sure to be staying connected to Jesus?
5. During the sermon, we were asked to reflect on the question, "Will you be pruned or thrown away?" What was your initial reaction to that question? Why?
6. John highlights some of the fruit that God expects our lives to bear: powerful prayer, Jesus' joy, love for God and for others, and a life that makes God more visible to the world. Which of these is your greatest need right now? Pray for each other as a group.
7. If tomorrow you knew that everything about this passage except one thing would be forever erased from your memory, what would you want that one thing you retain to be? Why?