

"Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he." – John 4:26 In each of these statements, Jesus claims to be God, the Great I AM. In this series, **we want to meet Jesus.** 

# November 12 – I AM the True Vine (John 15:1)

Main Idea: Jesus is the vine through which redemptive history grows. Heart Change: We would meet Jesus as the true desire of our hearts.

### Open

What was the most relaxing or peaceful thing you have ever done?

As the final night of Jesus life continues, he shares with the disciples the last I AM statement in the book of John. Using the little time he has left with his disciples, Jesus shares with them a powerful truth about being in relationship with Jesus. Tonight as we look into the passage, let's look at the analogy Jesus uses and what it means to abide in Him...

#### Reflect

Please take a moment to read John 15:1-11.

The disciples had been through a lot with Jesus over the past few years, what is the main idea of what Jesus is wanted to tell them in these last moments?

Looking at Jesus analogy of the vine, what truths can we learn about Jesus and the relationship that we have with him?

If you haven't already talked about this, why do you think Jesus used the word "abide" so much in explaining this I AM statement?

## Apply

What is the difference between being results driven and fruit driven?

What would your life look like if you presented your life to Jesus with no restrictions or conditions?

#### Close

Please a few moments to meditate personally on 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. Every time is says love replace it with the name of Jesus. As you do this ask yourself these questions:

- 1. If I abide in the fact that Jesus is patient and kind, what does that change about how I trust him?
- 2. If I abide in the fact that Jesus does not rejoice when I do wrong, how does that change what I do when I sin?
- 3. If I abide in the fact that Jesus bears all things, how can I depend on Jesus more fully in with my life?