

Discipleship Word Study

Abiding Together

Definition: abide - to stand, to take, bear, tolerate, remain, depend upon, accept, to be connected to.

Scripture Reading:

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall **abide** under the shadow of the Almighty. / And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may **abide** with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but you know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. / **Abide** in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it **abide** in the vine; no more can you, except you **abide** in me. / I am the vine, you are the branches. He that **abideth** in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. / If you **abide** in Me, and My words **abide** in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you. / If ye keep my commandments, you shall **abide** in My love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and **abide** in His love. / ... I have written unto you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God **abideth** in you, and you have overcome the wicked one. / And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God **abides** forever / Therefore let that **abide** in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning **abides** in you, you will **abide** in the Son and in the Father. / And now, little children, **abide** in Him; that, when He shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. / And now **abideth** faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

Ps 91:1; John 14:16; John 15:4, 5, 7, 10; 1 John 2:14, 17, 24, 28; 1 Cor 13:13

Discipleship Directive:

The disciple must **abide** in Christ if one hopes to see the fruit of Christ in one's life. To **abide**, you must give your life to Christ so that He may personally graft you into Himself (Rom 11:16-24). God greatest goal is to have a personal relationship with each one of us. Relationship is the door to fellowship, but it is a door we must open. Jesus tells us, "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and open the door, I will come into him and dine with him (fellowship together) and He with me" (Rev 3:20). The disciple needs to see that the whole Bible is about His people **abiding** with Him and He with them. After Christ resurrection He through the power of the Holy Spirit established His church so that we would continue to **abide** with Him and with His body the Church together, for the purpose of fellowship, equipping and maturing each other in our faith under His headship. This is all possible by keeping the commandments of the Lord, doing and living out the Word of God in our daily walk with Him. The enemy wants to divide us, but Christ through **abiding** with Him together on His vine we can come to a place of growth and fruit producing. The true test of **abiding** together is revealed when there is unity, harmony, love, faith and hope within the body of Christ. Remember John has written this unto us so that through understand the importance of **abiding** in Christ we can be strong and are able to overcome the wicked one (1 John 2:14). The key to all that we do is to do it by **abiding** together.

Dedication Prayer:

Lord Jesus,

I pray today that our relationship will grow deeper in each other and that your Spirit will flow out through my life to touch others for your glory. Thank you for engrafting me into yourself so that I may abide together with you as your child. I desire that the door of my heart will always be open to you and that each day we can have sweet fellowship together no matter what ever I may be experiencing or going through. I thank you for grafting me into yourself and that I can be part of your body the church. Help me Lord to faithfully remain firmly grafted in you and that from that relation that together we may see fruit that will last for your glory.

Your Servant,

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