

Your Character Counts

Part 2

John 15:1-5

Romans 8:29 (ESV) *"For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son,.."*

**The character of Christ is not something you produce,
it is something that is produced in you.**

Philippians 2:13 *"For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure."*

HOW DO WE OBTAIN THE CHARACTER OF CHRIST?

1. _____ Connected with Christ

vv1-2

Fruit represents Christlike attitudes, actions, and results.

God does two things to ensure maximum fruit production

a. He _____ unfruitful branches.

v2a

b. He _____ fruitful branches.

v2b

Romans 5:3-4 (ESV) *"More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope."*

Galatians 5:22-23 (ESV) *"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control."*

2. _____ Connected to Christ.

vv4-5

Eph 3:14-16 *"For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,... that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith."*

**ABIDE
"to hold on tightly, to remain, to continually dwell."**