

Reflection and Discussion Questions for the Week of October 15, 2017

Read John 15:18-27!

Memorize John 15:5 – *“I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.”*

What encouraged, challenged and or confused you about this passage or sermon?

1. What are some examples of how the world hates Christians?
2. Explain the difference between God’s love for the world that He sent Jesus (John 3:16) and we are commanded not to love the world (1 John 2:15-17).
3. What should our response be to the world’s hatred? What other verses in the Bible guide us on how to respond to persecution?
4. Why do people hate Jesus?
5. Why does our response to sin demonstrate whether we have been chosen by Christ or not?
6. What is the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives when we are hated?
7. How are you being persecuted and more importantly, how are you going to respond to it?