

**I. Abiding - The source of growth**

A. I am the true vine (1)

John 15:1  
John 15:4-5

Vinedresser - God the Father (1)  
True vine - Jesus Christ (1)  
Vine helper - Holy Spirit  
John 14:16  
John 16:7

B. You are the branches (4-5)

*Is Jesus your true vine?*



**II. Pruning - The process of growth**

John 15:2

A. Unhealthy attachments (2-3)

B. Unproductive advancements (2, 6)

**III. Bearing - The result of growth**

A. Fruit of the Spirit - Character of Christ (8-11)

Galatians 5:22-23

*love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  
gentleness, self-control*

B. Fruits for the harvest - Purpose of Christ (12-13)

John 15:16