

THE ALLEGORY OF *The True Vine*



John 15:1-8 (NKJV)

"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. ⁵"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. ⁷If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. ⁸By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples."

Introduction

Jesus describes Himself as the "True Vine" and His disciples as the "branches".

Remaining in the vine is life because it produces fruits.

- God is the gardener who takes care of the branches so that they may bear fruit.

I. Two Categories of Branches: The Fruitless and the Fruitful

a. The branches that cease to bear fruit are those who no longer have the life that comes from the enduring faith and the

love for Christ.

- The father cuts off these branches and separates them from Christ.

Matthew 3:10

And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

- When they stop remaining in Christ, God then judges and rejects them.

John 15:6

If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

b. The branches that bear fruit are those who have life in them because of their enduring faith and their love for Christ.

- These branches the Father prunes so that they will become more fruitful.

- The Father removes anything that diverts and hinders the life flow of Christ in their life.

- The fruit is the quality of "Christian character" that brings glory and honor in their life witnessing.

Matthew 7:20

Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

Romans 6:22

But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life.

Galatians 5:22-23

²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

Ephesians 5:9

(For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth).

Philippians 1:11

Being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

II. "Remain in Me," Jesus said.

- After a person believes in Christ as Lord and Savior and is forgiven, that person receives "eternal life" according to the promise of the Father.

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Rev. Dr. William G. Sy
Head Pastor



UCA TESTIMONIALS

MOLDING A *brighter future*

Exciting activities and meaningful programs transpired this school year at United Christian Academy (UCA). As the school offers quality education, it is also committed to mold its students towards academic and spiritual excellence. Above all these, to instill the love of Christ in them is its mission and vision.

With its online and face-to-face mode of learning, the education UCA offers has left parents and children amazed and satisfied. As the school year is nearly coming to an end, UCA gained the trust and favor of the parents as the school met the educational needs of their children and opened an opportunity for students to know Jesus Christ in their lives.

Here are some of the testimonials of UCA parents who appreciate the efforts and management of the school. Praise God for this wonderful favor that He has given to our school!

I wanted my daughter to grow spiritually, not just academically. I was searching for a Christian school, then I found United Christian Academy on Google. **I felt that God led me here that's why I decided to enroll my daughter. I thank God I made the right decision because UCA provides quality education.**

At the same time, my child is being molded to be a better person by learning about God. Actually, I wanted my child to enroll in UCA face-to-face classes, but we are currently outside the Philippines. I am thankful to UCA for accepting my children from abroad. God bless!



Mary Christine Mendoza



Abu Dhabi, UAE
Parent of Grade 4

I prayed to find a better online school for my children and then I started browsing. I found UCA and began to read the information, history, and everything about the school. **I chose UCA because it suits and satisfies me with their background and most importantly, their values as a Christian school.** The advantages of this program are the satisfaction, the guarantee, and the assurance that our children will learn and get quality education. It has been a huge help for me as a parent knowing that my children are learning and achieving both academic and good values. **I am really grateful and thankful to UCA. It is an answered prayer for me.** To all the teachers, committee, staff, and even for the great videographers who made the video lessons, which even me as a parent learn also from that, may God bless you all!

Jeannette Tapel Pastor



Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Parent of Kindergarten, Grade 4 and Grade 10



The advantage of online class is that my child is not pressured to go to school and wake up early. We no longer experience traffic going to school early in the morning. I learned about UCA because it was recommended by our common friends who have children that are also enrolled and are studying in UCA. **This school shaped and prepared my child for the future that she wants to be.** I thank UCA for their vision in shaping the future of this generation.



Freddie Abrera



Sharjah, UAE
Parent of Grade 4

I knew UCA through the help of my churchmate who is residing in Kuwait. **We choose UCA for our child because it provides a flexible learning curriculum and a Biblical-based education.** One of the advantages of having this online program for my child is the flexibility of time and place where she can learn anytime and anywhere. It helped us in a way that she can study and learn even when we travel from one place to another. I want to say thank you to UCA for molding and teaching our child not only in academic aspect but also in spiritual aspect.



Grace Ramirez



San Juan, Batangas
Parent of Grade 4

John 15:1-2
(NKJV)

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MT. TABOR UPDATE

Paghahanda para sa mga gawain

*Naging kaaya-aya ring pagmasdan ang mga halaman
na itinanim sa bungad pagpasok ng Mt. Tabor.*



*Bilang panigurado sa kaligtasan at kaayusan sa Mt. Tabor,
tinaasan ang mga bakod sa bawat daanan.*

Ang Mt. Tabor ay lalo pang pinagaganda at isinasaayos sa pangunguna ni Punong Pastor Rev. Dr. William Sy. Patuloy ang pagsunod ng lingkod ng Diyos sa pagtupad ng *vision* at *mission* na ibinigay ng Panginoon sa panambahan ng UCF kasama ang mga mangagawa nito. Ang konstruksiyon sa lugar ay nagpapatuloy bilang paghahanda sa iba't ibang programang nakalaan para sa susunod na mga buwan at upang magamit ito sa mas produktibong gawain sa ministeryo. Kaya naman buong pasasalamat din ang ibinigay natin sa Panginoon sa araw-araw na pag-iingat niya sa mga manggagawang patuloy na nagpapagal sa gawain ng Diyos.

*Purihin ang Panginoon sa
patuloy Niyang paggamit sa
iyong ministeryo!*

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BUY 1 TAKE 1

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Cacti



³You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

**John 15:3-4
(NKJV)**

HBC UPDATE

Pagsalik-sik SA KANIYANG SALITA

Isa sa pinakamahalagang bagay ang maisabuhay ng mga anak ng Diyos ang Kaniyang pangako at Salitang hindi nagbabago mula noon hanggang ngayon. Tila laging bago sa bawat araw ang Kaniyang Salita tuwing ito ay nasasariwa kasama ang kapatiran sa Panginoon.

Bawat linggo ay patuloy ang pagtungo ng mga manggagawa sa mga tahananang binuksan upang maisagawa ang lingguhang *Home Bible Church (HBC)*. Higit lalong nakikilala at naipapangaral sa mga pamilya roon ang Mabuting Balita at maging ang kanilang mga mahal sa buhay ay natataniman din ng binhi ng pananampalataya mula kay Hesus.

Hindi natatapos sa pakikinig ng mensahe ng Diyos ang mayroon lamang sa buhay ng Kaniyang mga anak, bagkus sinusundan ito ng pagsunod at pagbibigay ng kanilang buhay.



PUROK 12, BRGY. CALABUSO, TAGAYTAY CITY, CAVITE

Martes | 2:00 PM

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PUROK 10, BRGY. CALABUSO, TAGAYTAY CITY, CAVITE

Martes | 3:30 PM

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PUROK 17, BRGY. DAPDAP EAST, TAGAYTAY CITY, CAVITE

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PUROK 20, BRGY. DAPDAP WEST, TAGAYTAY CITY, CAVITE

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John 15:5
(NKJV)

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing."



**SITIO PULONG TALAHIBAN,
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Biyernes | 5:00 PM

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SITIO BALAGBAG ARAW, CALAMBA, LAGUNA
Biyernes | 2:00 PM

HBC HOST:
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**PUROK 4, BRGY. MABATO,
CALAMBA, LAGUNA**
Biyernes | 3:30 PM

HBC HOSTS:
Sis. Myrelle Endozo &
Sis. Mary Rose Garcia

HBC LEADER:
Rev. Ricardo Jacob

If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

**John 15:6
(NKJV)**

Earthquake Preparedness: HOW TO STAY SAFE



Earthquakes may happen anytime without prior notice. Preparing for this natural disaster will make a difference to protect yourself, your family, and your home. Experts say that Metro Manila could be hit by a magnitude 7.2 earthquake anytime because of the West Valley Fault. This earthquake is referred as the "Big One" and is expected to have casualties of more than 33,500 people and can destroy about 40% of the structures.

To prepare for earthquakes, National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) advises that you prepare three things: your home, your family, and your community.

BEFORE AN EARTHQUAKE



Survey your home and office for potential hazards.

Put together your household emergency kits. Review and restock your existing supplies.



Make a family emergency plan and distribute an emergency plan card to each family member.

Make copies of your important documents.



Educate yourself on the risks and how to be more prepared.

MAKE SURE TO KEEP YOURSELF UPDATED ON THE LATEST NEWS AND ALERTS.



DURING AN EARTHQUAKE

DROP, COVER AND HOLD



Stay inside your building and stay calm. Do not panic.

Take cover beneath strong pieces of furniture and protect your head and neck.



Stay away from glass, window, outside door and wall, and anything that could fall.

If you're in bed, stay there and protect your head and neck with pillows and sheets.



DO NOT TRY TO LEAVE THE BUILDING. YOU WILL BE AT GREATER RISK FROM FALLING DEBRIS.



AFTER AN EARTHQUAKE

Check yourself for injuries then help the people around you. Check for potential dangers like fires and structural damages. Be aware that loose items could fall off shelves. If your building is sound, it is normally safer to remain inside as going outside may put you at risk from falling debris.

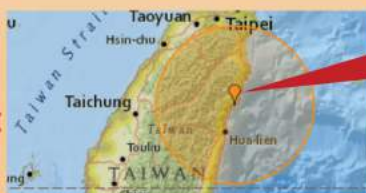


If you are trapped in debris, try not to inhale dangerous dust. Cover your nose and mouth with your clothing and tap on something like a pipe to send signal for rescuers.



REMEMBER THAT AFTERSHOCKS CAN STILL OCCUR FOR A FEW DAYS OR MONTHS AFTER THE MAIN EARTHQUAKE.

TODAY'S NEWS



MAGNITUDE 5.4 EARTHQUAKE

Affected Countries: Japan, Philippines, Taiwan, and China
28km from Hualien City, Hualien Country, Taiwan

Date: April 27, 2024 at 2:49 AM

John 15:7
(NKJV)

If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Dinidisciplina tayo
ng Panginoon
upang baguhin ang
ating pamumuhay,
ang ating way
of life.

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Rev. Ricardo Jacob

UCF Associate Pastor
April 21, 2024

UCF PARAÑAQUE

“

Let us examine
ourselves. Sabi ng
Word of God, we are
illegitimate, we are
not sons of God kung
hindi tayo dumadaan sa
chastening ng discipline
ng Panginoon.

“

Sa mga tunay
na naniniwala at
nananampalataya sa
Panginoon, God is
working in you. He is
revealing something
to you.

“

Ang tunay na
sumasampalataya
sa Panginoon ay
dumadaan sa pagsubok,
tulad kung paanong
ang ginto ay dumaan sa
apoy para makita ang
kulay nito at kung ito ay
purong ginto.

“

Lahat tayo ay
aminadong may
pinagdadaanang
pagsubok, pero ang
kaibahan natin ay
mayroon tayong
malalapitang
Diyos.

“

Ang Diyos ay hindi
kuwento dahil ang
Diyos ay totoo at
buhay sa ating
buhay.



Rev. Fidel Dillo

UCF Associate Pastor
April 21, 2024

UCF MT. TABOR CHURCH

WATER BAPTISM

DESISYONG SUMUNOD KAY HESUS



*Kagalakan para sa bawat isa na
makita ang kapatiran na tuluyan
ng tumalikod sa kanilang lumang
buhay at tanggapin si Kristo.*

**Welcome to the
family of God!**

Michaela Nelaine G. Agluba

Severina C. Binay

Myrelle G. Endozo

Joel E. Fresnido

Nenita G. Fresnido

Dorothea R. Hernandez

Jacob F. San Pedro

Joel G. Toledo



Isa sa sa mahahalagang bagay sa panambahan ay mataniman ng Salita ng Diyos at binhi ng pananampalataya ang kanilang mga puso.

Ang tupang nakarinig ng ebanghelyo ay hindi maikakaila na ang Diyos ay buhay dahil ang Banal na Espiritu ang kumikilos upang maipakilala si Hesus sa kanila. Nagbubunyi ang lahat dahil mayroon muling mga anak ng Diyos na nagdesisyong lumakad sa kalooban Niya ng sila ay sumailalim ng bawtismo sa tubig nitong Sabado, Abril 27.

Luwalhati sa ngalan ng Panginoon dahil Siya ang humihipto sa kanilang mga puso at buhay!

By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

**John 15:8
(NKJV)**

The Allegory of...

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- As Christians, they have to walk and choose to remain in Christ.

Note

The Greek word *meno* means:

- To remain
- To continue
- To abide
- To live in Christ

That is why Christ's life flows only by remaining in Christ.

Four Conditions to Remain in Christ

1. Keep God's Word continually by heart, soul, and Spirit; and make it your guide to your life ministry.

2. Maintain your constant intimate communion and relationship with Christ through prayer and meditation.

3. Obey and trust in His love.

John 15:10

If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

John 15:12, 17

¹²This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

¹⁷These things I command you, that you love one another.

4. Keep your life clean by resisting

all sins and yielding to the Holy Spirit.

John 15:3

You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

Romans 8:14

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

1 Peter 1:22

Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart.

The parable or allegory of the vine and branches makes it unmistakably clear that Christ did not believe that "once in the vine, always in the vine".

Rather, Jesus gave His disciples a solemn but loving warning that it is indeed possible for true believers to abandon faith, turn their backs on Jesus, and fail to remain in Him and thus, to be thrown into His everlasting fire of hell.

Our relationship with God is rather progressive and never static.

John 17:3

And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

1 John 5:11-13

¹¹And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹²He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have

life. ¹³These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

It all starts with God.

Colossians 1:16

For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

The purpose of your life "calling"

is far more greater than your own personal fulfillment. It is far more greater than your family, your career, your peace of mind, and even your wildest dream in life.

Note

If you want to know why you are called by God:

- You must begin with God because you were born with His purpose.

- You won't discover your life purpose by just looking at yourself.

- Begin to discover your life purpose by discovering God's meaning and plans for your life.

SERMON NOTES

Write the points to remember from the sermon as you seek God in your life.

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
9:00 AM (Parañaque)
3:00 PM (Cabuyao, Laguna)

HOME BIBLE CHURCH
For schedule, please see
HBC Updates.

HOUSE OF PRAYER
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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