Hi from the Junior Fun Church

at Fareham Methodist Church

In one of today's Bible readings in John's Gospel Chapter 15 verse 5, Jesus says:





Have you ever noticed that when Jesus was teaching, he often told stories? These helped his followers to understand what he was saying. Today is one of those. If Jesus had given this story a title, he might have called it: "The Vine and the Branches." There are two parts to the grapevine. There is the trunk of the vine and there are the branches. The grapes grow on the branches. That is like any fruit tree that you might have seen. It has a trunk and fruit growing on the branches. The only way that a branch can have fruit is for it to remain connected.

Jesus wanted his followers to understand how important it was for them to stay connected to him. He told them, "I am the vine and you are the branches. If you remain in me, you will have much fruit, but apart from me, you can do nothing."

Jesus wants us to produce fruit in our lives. He wants us to be kind, gentle, generous, and loving. Can we do that on our own? No way! Just as the branches must be connected to the vine before they can produce fruit, we must stay connected to Jesus to produce the good fruit that God expects of us. If we keep our life connected to Jesus, we will grow.

Let's pray: Heavenly Father, we ask you to help us to be faithful followers of Jesus and produce much fruit in our life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



If you wish, try to guess the fruit by clicking the icon here: (Open the link, then try Pictures of Fruit Quiz Number 1 at the top)

Have a good week everyone!