



Redefining Success

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The coronavirus pandemic redefined many different aspects of life

- School
- Sports and Leisure
- Shopping
- Services
- Social Practices

This also applies to how we define success

True success has only one source and one definition.

Learning from Jesus: The secret to true success

John 15:1-17

¹ "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ² He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. ³ You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴ Remain in me, as I

also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me."

⁵ "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

⁸ This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."

⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is my command: Love each other."

Jesus' keys to true success

Key #1: [Remain](#) in Him

- Receiving, trusting and living in the Grace of Jesus
- Embracing who we are in Christ and the Hope we have in Him
- Focusing our mind's attention and our heart's affection on Him

How might I more consistently set aside time in my day to spend at the feet of Jesus and be more attuned to walking with Him throughout my day?

Key #2: [Bear](#) Much Fruit

- Growing in Christlike Character - Fruit of the Spirit
- Growing in Spiritual Maturity
- Growing and Using our Spiritual Gifts

How might I more intentionally seek to grow in spiritual maturity and use my gifts to serve Jesus?

Key #3: [Love](#) One Another

- Sacrificially caring for and serving those we lead (John 13)
- Deeply connecting to encourage and equip those who follow Jesus
- Joyfully serving together to help point people to Jesus (John 13:34-35)

How might I more sacrificially love those the Lord has put in my life and those He has placed around me?