



John 15:1-8 & 16

He lifts up every branch in me that is currently bearing **no fruit**, while every branch that does bear **some fruit** he prunes so that it will bear even **more fruit**. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear **much fruit**; apart from me you can do nothing. (vs. 2 & 5)

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- 1) He lifts up every branch in me that is currently bearing no fruit
- 2) He Disciplines
 - a) rebukes = spoken word
 - b) chastens = more turmoil introduced
 - c) scourges = uses intense pain to motivate

1 Corinthians 11:27-31

Many of you...

...are weak

...are sick (Numbers 12:9-11)

...have fallen asleep

punishment

I'm gonna make you pay

discipline

I want you to stop, and I will use pain to motivate you

2 sins that effect more severe discipline:

1) Unforgiveness

Matthew 18

2) Sexual Immorality

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

1 Thessalonians 4:3-7

The Good News

**If we judge ourselves, we will not come
under God's judgment.**

By Repentance

By Restitution

By Reconciliation