

The Final Lesson From The Vineyard

John 15:1-17

The Key to Loving is Knowing. (vs. 13-15)

- 1. Understand the word "Know"*
 - A. Know the facts;*
 - B. Know the truth behind the facts;*
 - C. Personal relationship at the point of salvation (John 17:3)*
 - D. Grow in grace and knowledge (2 Peter 3:18) Deeper knowledge (Phil 3:10)*
- 2. Understand the benefit of knowing Christ better.*
 - A. Growing in the knowledge/understanding of Christ...is what spiritual growth is all about.*
 - B. We become more like Christ (1 John 3:1 & 2 Corinthians 3)*
 - C. Helps us to know ourselves better: and*
 - D. The better we know Christ the more we will love Him.*
- 3. Understand how this deeper relationship is cultivated.*
 - A. Spend time with Him, reading/praying in God's presence.*
 - B. We must desire that deeper relationship;*
 - C. We must decide who is first - me or Him - He must have first place in everything;*
 - D. We must be serious about Holy Living.*

We are at this moment, as close to God as we would like to be!