

## **God's Requirements so that He will answer all our prayers.**

John 15:1-16

In John 15 we have the teaching of the Lord Jesus about His relationship with the believers. It is like a relationship of a Branch to the main stock of a Vine.

Verse 7 "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you".

The requirements mentioned in verse 7 are two-fold:

### **Remain in me My Words remain in you**

Question: What is the meaning of "Remaining in Jesus Christ?"

Question: What is the meaning of "My Words remain in you?"

Another Requirement of God is mentioned in verse 16

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit - fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name."

### **Go and bear fruit**

Question: What is the meaning of "I choose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit?"

The branch of the Vine produce grapes –

The believers connected to Christ produce the character of Christ – Christ-like-ness.

The fruit of the Holy Spirit are listed in Galatians 5:22-23

Love, Joy, Peace,  
Patience, Kindness, Goodness,  
Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-control

This is a description of the Life of Christ.

The natural fruit of grape vine are grapes.

The natural fruit of a Christian are other Christians.

Through a Christ-like character we produce other Christians. The Great Commission of the Lord Jesus “Go and make disciples of all nations”.  
Matthew 28:19

**SUMMARY: God’s requirements as outlined in John 15:**

**Abide in Jesus Christ**  
**His Word abides in the believer**  
**Go and bear fruit**

**God’s Promise in His Word:**

**“Ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you”**

**“The Father will give you whatever you ask in my Name”**