

Cell Group Bible Study  
**INLAND CHURCH**

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## The reason the vine, Jesus is the treasure

**Praise with Joy** : Hymn 90 "I've found a Friend" / Jesus shall take the highest honor

**Bible Verse** : John 15 : 1-8

**Focusing on Words** : We have the treasure, Jesus Christ, in our jars of clay. Because the jars of clay are made of many different materials (gold, silver, wood, soil, etc.), they can be the jars of gold, silver, wood or clay. It is more important to know what's in the jars rather than what the jars are made of. We are Christians to have Jesus Christ in our jars of clay. The fact that Jesus is so precious and valuable like treasure is the reason for us to be Christians. Why is Jesus the treasure? Because he is the light of the world, the bread of life, the good shepherd, the sheep gate, the resurrection, the life and the vine. Today we are going to think of the reason why the vine, Jesus, is the treasure.

**Understanding the background** : In Isaiah 5 : 1-7, it describes the relationship between God and the people of Israel as the one between the owner of the vineyard and the vines. It is a negative content in which the owner of the vineyard will judge the vines because they yielded only bad fruit even though he planted the choicest vines, The relationship between God and the believers through Jesus is just like the one between the owner of the vineyard and the vines. Jesus tells us to make this relationship a beautiful one not like the one of the old testament era.

### Sharing the Words

**1. Observing & Contemplating** : Read John 15 : 1, 5 and Isaiah 5 : 1-7

- 1) How does it describe the relationship between God and Jesus? (John 15 : 1)
- 2) How does it describe the relationship between Jesus and us? (John 15 : 5)
- 3) Who the prophet Isaiah says the vineyard is and the vines are? (Isaiah 5 : 7)
- 4) According to the prophet Isaiah what kind of crop did God look for when he planted it with the choicest vines? But, then what kind of fruit did it yield? (Isaiah 5 : 2)

### Applying & Sharing

- 1) God is the farmer, Jesus is the vine, and we are the branches. What is expected from the branches? Are you yielding the choicest grapes or the bad fruit? What is the reason to think like that?

**2. Observing & Contemplating** : Read John 15 : 4-5

- 1) Where should the vine remain in order to bear fruit? (John 15 : 4)
- 2) In whom should we, the branches of vines, remain in order to bear more fruit? (John 15 : 5)

### Applying & Sharing

- 1) The question of what we are targeting for our faith is so important. Believing in heresy or idols is a dead faith without life. What's your target for your faith? Tell us one reason to believe in whom you believe in.
- 2) Through what can you, the branch of the vine, remain in the vine, Jesus? Say one of the blessings by remaining in Jesus.

**Conclusion** : God is the farmer, Jesus is the vine, and we are the branches. The branches must remain in the vine. We will bear much fruit when we remain in Jesus. Because Jesus is the source and supplier of life. Jesus is the only one to give life.

### Prayer reflecting the Words

1. Let us be the one to remain securely in the vine, Jesus.
2. Oh! Lord, the Holy Spirit! Please help us bear much fruit of the holy spirit in our family, work places, and the churches.
3. Please help our families and cell group members blessed for believing in the life supplier, Jesus only.