

**RHYTHMS:**  
EVERYDAY MOVEMENTS OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE  
1-6-18

*This year we are encouraging our church community to orient our lives around Scripture. We want to encourage you to read through the New Testament this year. It takes approximately five chapters per week to accomplish this task. Our “Daily Encounters” this year will give you each chapter to keep you on track to read the New Testament in a year. We encourage you to write questions or encouraging thoughts each week that remind you of the good news of Jesus and who you are because of what God has done.*

**Day One:** Matthew 6

What does this chapter remind you about the character of God? Where do you see the message of “Good News” in this chapter? How do these verses contradict a “lie” you often believe about yourself or God?

**Day Two:** Matthew 7

What does this chapter remind you about the character of God? Where do you see the message of “Good News” in this chapter? How do these verses contradict a “lie” you often believe about yourself or God?

**Day Three:** Matthew 8

What does this chapter remind you about the character of God? Where do you see the message of “Good News” in this chapter? How do these verses contradict a “lie” you often believe about yourself or God?

**Day Four:** Matthew 9

What does this chapter remind you about the character of God? Where do you see the message of “Good News” in this chapter? How do these verses contradict a “lie” you often believe about yourself or God?

**Day Five:** Matthew 10

What does this chapter remind you about the character of God? Where do you see the message of “Good News” in this chapter? How do these verses contradict a “lie” you often believe about yourself or God?

**RHYTHMS: OF SURRENDER**  
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*John 15:5, 8-11*  
Dale Burke

INTRODUCTION

I. THE METAPHOR: THE VINE AND THE BRANCHES JOHN 15:1-6

- The Metaphor:

- Vine:

- Branch:

- Vinedresser:

- Fruit:

Jesus - alive *"in us"*

Jesus - displayed *"on us"*

Jesus - working *"through us"*

- The Meaning:

God's Dream = Abundant Fruit On "Abiding" Branches

II. SO, WHAT'S THE KEY TO "ABIDING"? DAILY SURRENDER. JOHN 15:1-11

- Give it up!
- Stay humble.
- Shift your trust.
- Rest in His love.
- Walk in Obedience.
- Submit to His Pruning.

So this week...