## The Vine and the Branches

(John 15:1-11)
I. The $\qquad$ (John 15:1a, 5a)
A. The OT describes $\qquad$ as a vine that failed to produce $\qquad$
$\qquad$ (Isa. 5:1-7; Jer. 2:21)
B. Jesus declares, "I am the $\qquad$ "

1. While Israel was $\qquad$ , Jesus was $\qquad$
2. Salvation is not by connection to $\qquad$ but to $\qquad$
II. The $\qquad$ (John 15:1b-2)
A. He $\qquad$ dead wood that is $\qquad$
B. He $\qquad$ healthy wood to make it $\qquad$
III. The $\qquad$ (John 15:2-11)
A. The $\qquad$ of branches that are $\qquad$ (15:2a, 6)
3. He does not mean believers can $\qquad$ their $\qquad$
4. He means those who $\qquad$ attach themselves to Him but are not really $\qquad$
5. Their destiny is to be $\qquad$ (cf. Matt. 13:49-50)
B. The $\qquad$ of branches that $\qquad$ (15:2b-5, 7-11)
6. They are $\qquad$ by the Father (15:2b-3; cf. Heb. 12:7-11)
a. Applies to $\qquad$ branch that is $\qquad$
b. Necessary to make $\qquad$ branch $\qquad$ fruitful
c. Uses the $\qquad$ as His pruning $\qquad$
7. They are $\qquad$ (15:4-5)
a. Includes the "fruit of the $\qquad$ " (Gal. 5:22-23)
b. Includes $\qquad$ offered to God (Heb. 13:15)
c. Includes sacrificial $\qquad$ toward others (Rom. 15:28)
d. Can be defined in general as $\qquad$
(Eph. 5:9; Phil. 1:11; Col. 1:10; Heb. 12:11)
e. Includes $\qquad$ to the gospel (1 Cor. 16:15; Rev. 14:4)
8. They receive $\qquad$ through $\qquad$ (15:7)
9. Their fruitfulness brings $\qquad$ to God (15:8)
10. They will experience the $\qquad$ of Christ (15:9-10)
11. They will know $\qquad$ (15:11)
