

*What if Jesus' last words became our first priorities?*


## STAY.....

Jesus \_\_\_\_\_

We \_\_\_\_\_

Only as \_\_\_\_\_

Only as \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_ 

By \_\_\_\_\_

What would it look like for you to obey Jesus and love others today? This week?

Who can you ask to pray for you as you seek to remain in Jesus?

### ➤ **For Further Reflection & Action**

- Memorize John 15:5 and Meditate on John 15:1-17, 1 John 2:28-3:10; 4:7-21.
- For a creative animation of the text:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m0yu1qyevwE>
- Listen to "Love Like This" by Lauren Daigle  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Br1q\\_i1RHPU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Br1q_i1RHPU)
- Read this devotional by Tony Evans: <https://go.tonyevans.org/-temporary-slug-489e66f6-aa8e-41e9-8439-6f66949a6711?null>
- Continue to pray with us during our 40 Days of Prayer! Go to [www.forcey.org/nextsteps](http://www.forcey.org/nextsteps) and sign up to receive our prayer bulletin each week – or email [ann-hunt@forcey.org](mailto:ann-hunt@forcey.org)
- Plan to "pray together" with us this Wednesday night!

## QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. What stood out to you the most from the message?
2. Did any of your ideas about this passage change after hearing the message?
3. What is one question you still have about the passage?
4. From what sources besides Jesus are people most tempted to find life today?
5. What does Jesus mean when He says "Apart from Me, you can do nothing?" How can you apply these words to your life today?
6. What are the keys to maintaining almost any close relationship? Do you see some of these keys in John 15 as Jesus talks about how to remain in Him?
7. After hearing the message on John 15, do you expect it to be easier or harder to "remain" in close relationship with Jesus? Why?
8. What fruit do you believe Jesus most wants to bear through you in this season of your life? What step can you take in order to stay closer to Jesus that such fruit would grow? How can others encourage you in this step?

## 40 DAYS OF PRAYER – 9/19-10/28, daily

- Pray with us daily from 9/19 to 10/28, a 40-day season of depending fully on God for His work in and through us during this critical season of ministry!
- Subscribe to our prayer bulletin to receive prayer updates!
- The items we will pray for daily:
  - Major Transitions – Ron & Glenda, Pastor roles & responsibilities, Vision
  - Churchwide Events – Missions Conference (10/8-14), Annual Meeting (10/21), Trunk or Treat (10/27)
  - Strategic Directions – Care Team Re-launching, Go Team Launching, Fall Ministries Restarting

## PRAY TOGETHER – 5 Wednesday nights– 6:45-8:00 TeamKID provided for children

- We will praise the Lord in song, hear the word in Acts, celebrate through testimonies, and pray together according to the outline of the Lord's prayer!
- We will pray for our 40 days of prayer points and the following themes:
  - 9/26 – Students and Nation – See You at The Pole, Prayer for Nation
  - 10/3 – Church Leadership – Staff Transitions and Roles, Vision
  - 10/10 – Missions – Missions Conference, Missionaries
  - 10/17 – Unity – Annual Meeting and Christian Unity
  - 10/24 – Outreach – Trunk or Treat and Follow-Up