

SERMON NOTES
September 5, 2010
Liberty Baptist Church
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TEXT: **John 15:1-11**

SUBJECT: Abiding In Christ

TITLE: ***“Don’t Just Do Something! Stand There!”***

NOTES:

We are a **Doing** people

He (God) is waiting for His people to crave a **Relationship** with Him

Transformation takes place in Relationships

We experience spiritual transformation through an **Abiding** relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ

As we examine this familiar passage, note Three Aspects of the “Relational Principle” of Spiritual Transformation...

1. THE PREREQUISITE

- A. **Regeneration** (2 Cor. 5:17, 21)
- B. **Sanctification** (Rom. 6:19, 22; 1 Thess. 4:3f.)

- 1) The Holy Spirit is our **Teacher** John 14:26
- 2) God’s Word is our **Authority**
2 Timothy 3:16-17
- 3) Jesus is our **Example** John 14:6

2. THE PROCESS

- A. **“Abiding”**
 - 1) A **Command**—vv. 4, 9
 - 2) A **Choice**—v. 7

B. Two **Commitments**

- 1) Spend **Time** With The Master
 - a. Investment in the **Word** of God
 - b. Investment **Prayer**
- 2) The **Lordship** Of Christ—**Rom. 14:8-9**

C. How To **Stall** Spiritual Transformation **1 Corinthians 3:1-3**

- 1) Stalls Without Spiritual **Exercise**
- 2) Stalls Where **Envy And Strife** Abound
- 3) Stalls When We **Live Like The World**

3. THE PRODUCT

- A. A Transformed Life!
- B. Much **Fruit!**
 - 1) Much Fruit Is **Expected**
 - 2) **Evidences** Of Spiritual Fruit
 - a. Godly **Attitudes** Galatians 5:22
 - b. Righteous **Behavior** Philipians 1:11
 - c. Praise—**Hebrews 13:15**
 - d. Making **Disciples** Romans 1:16
 - e. God-Centered Living **Luke 9:23-26**