

# Sermon Resources

**Sermon:** Why am I still stuck?

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## WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

John 15:4-5

**(SERMON IN A SENTENCE)** The way forward spiritually is more dependence, not more effort.

## AM I WILLING TO LET JESUS PRUNE WHAT'S IN THE WAY?

## IS JESUS CENTRAL IN HOW I LIVE MY EVERYDAY LIFE?

## DO I FIND MY IDENTITY IN WHAT I DO OR IN WHO I BELONG TO?

**MEMORY VERSE:** I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. -John 15:5  
NIV

## GROUP DISCUSSION

- **ICEBREAKER:** On a 1–10 scale, how “dependent on Jesus” did your week feel? Why that number?
- Read John 15:4–5 outloud. What words or ideas repeat? What does “remain” look like in everyday life, not just church life? What does Jesus mean by “apart from me you can do nothing”?
- Move through the three questions below. For each, choose a number (1–10), name one concrete example, and share one next step to grow in that area:
  - Am I willing to let Jesus prune what's in the way?
  - Is Jesus central in how I live my everyday life?
  - Do I find my identity in what I do or in who I belong to?

- ***The way forward spiritually is more dependence, not more effort.*** How does that confront the way you usually approach growth? Where is “try harder” still your plan?

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **SCRIPTURE**
  - Matthew 11:28–30
  - Galatians 5:16–25
  - Philippians 2:12–13
- **BOOKS**
  - *Invitation to a Journey* by M. Robert Mullholland
  - *Embracing Rhythms of Work and Rest* by Ruth Haley Barton
  - *Celebration of Disciplines* by Richard Foster
- **RIGHT NOW MEDIA**
  - *Practicing The Way* by Practicing The Way.