The Abiding Life - Pruning Part 2 John 15:1-11

- I. God's pruning comes when He causes us to adjust to Him & <u>depend in a new</u> way.
- II. Some reasons why God might prune us.
- A. <u>Priorities</u>
- B. <u>Attachments</u>
- C. <u>Busyness</u>
- D. <u>Relationships</u>
- E. <u>Self-dependency</u>
- F. <u>Complacency</u>
- G. To protect us & grow us <u>deeper</u>
- III. Some ways God uses to prune us.
- Acts 9:15-30 Page #1099
- Galatians 1:11-18 Page #1164
- 2 Corinthians 11:28-29 Page #1162
- 2 Corinthians 12:7-10
 - <u>Disappointment</u>
 - Isolation
 - <u>Hardship</u>
 - <u>Rejection</u>
- IV. Some truths concerning pruning.
- 1. With pruning, what feels like loss is always gain.
- 2. Pruning comes when needed & God's timing is perfect.
- 3. Pruning is always custom fit.