

When God Causes Pain

John 15

Review: God's Goal for Us: _____

God's Method to Accomplish This Goal: _____

I. God's Purpose in Pruning:

A. Cut away worldly passions, sin issues

Picture: More aware of sin or footholds

Result: _____

B. Cut away distractions, busyness, attitudes, affections

Picture: More aware of God's agenda, our limitations

Result: _____

II. God's Procedure of Pruning

A. _____ of life

B. _____ of faith

James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 1:6-7; Romans 5:3-5; 8:28

III. God's Pinpoints of Pruning

A. The _____ you love most

1. Bible Character - Abraham

2. Gen.22:12; Heb.11:17-19; Luke 14:25-27

B. Your right to know _____ God does what He does

1. Bible Character - Job, Moses

2. Job 38-42; Deuteronomy 3:23-28

C. Your love for _____

1. Bible Character - Joseph

2. Gen.50:18-21; Matt.6:19-24; Ephesians 5:15-17

D. The source of your _____

1. Bible Character - David, Paul

2. Psalm 54, 57, 63; Philippians 3:4-14

Communion Question: Do I need to _____ or
_____ to my Master Vinedresser?