Abiding in Christ

1. Focus on my union with Jesus Christ.

🕮 **John 15:2** ~ 2“Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every *branch* [in Me] that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit.

🗸 I am totally united with Christ by virtue of His finished work on the Cross.

🗸 Therefore, all that Jesus is—His holiness, power, and joy—is mine by faith.

1. Place my complete trust and dependence on Jesus Christ for everything.

🕮 **John 15:4–5** ~ 4“Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither *can* you unless you abide in Me. 5“I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

🗸 Walk in moment-by-moment faith in Christ alone… trust His perfect life to be my life so that He truly lives in me through the Holy Spirit by faith

1. Trust in the promises of God in the Word… truly believe them.

🕮 **John 15:7** ~ 7“If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

🗸 Meditate on God’s faithful promises all throughout Scripture, especially of His forgiveness of all sin and His great love for me.

1. Pray according to the promises of His Word… ask in faith.

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🗸 Pray in faith knowing that what God has promised, He will joyfully give.

1. See and savor the love of Christ and keep believing in His great love.

🕮 **John 15:9** ~ 9“Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love.

🗸 See the greatness of the Father’s love for His Son, that it is an infinite, unchanging, delighting love.

🗸 Keep believing that Christ has the same love for me, a love that is infinite, unchanging, and delighting.

1. Walk in loving obedience as a protection of this love relationship.

🕮 **John 15:10** ~ 10“If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.

🗸 Fight for holiness as a safeguard to the love relationship I have with Christ.

1. Enjoy the joy of Christ as the very strength of my soul.

🕮 **John 15:11** ~ 11“These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and *that* your joy may be made full.

🗸 Know that Jesus desires my heart to be full of His joy, and abiding in Him is the pathway to His unspeakable, powerful, and supernatural joy in my heart and life!