The vine and the branches

John 15

John 15:1-8 Fruitful branches are pruned
Unfruitful branches are cut off and burned.
Abiding in Christ brings great benefit.

What does fruit mean? (Galatians 5:22-23; Matthew 28:19-20)

John 15:1 Jesus is the vine and God works the vine.

John 15:2 God does what's necessary to make the vine fruitful.

John 15:3 We are made clean through the word of God.

John 15:4-5 Staying in the vine brings great benefit.

John 15:6 Not staying in the vine is dangerous.

John 15:7-8 A promise for staying in the vine.

John 15:9-13 Abiding in the vine means loving the way Jesus loved.

John 15:16-17 The purpose to staying connected to the vine is bearing fruit.

The purpose of this story:

> John 15:708 (NKJV)
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> [7]If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. [8]By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.