



## Introduction

*Jesus speaks to his disciples on his way to Gethsemane, just outside Jerusalem.*



## Questions

1. Jesus says he is the vine and the disciples are the branches. In this analogy, how do the branches glorify the Father?
2. What commandment does Jesus give them?
3. Why does Jesus say the world hates them?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 to 17** Jesus is the true vine and his disciples are branches. Jesus commands his disciples to bear fruit and love each other
- **v 18 to 27** Jesus gives a warning of the hostility (see theme) that he and his followers will soon experience

**Timeline** 30 AD (see below)



## Theme

### God's principles can be very unpopular

*A selection of verses showing that this theme runs consistently through the Bible.*

The psalmist tells us that the righteous can expect problems from the wicked:

*Psalm 37 verses 12 to 14, 71 verse 4*

Jesus Christ tells us that his followers can expect to be unpopular:

*John 15 verses 18 to 20*

The apostle Paul says that followers of Jesus should expect persecution:

*2 Timothy 3 verse 12*

The apostle John says that this unpopularity should not be a surprise:

*1 John 3 verse 13*



## Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 8, Q 2: v 12, Q 3: v 19



# Bible timeline

