

Isa. 53:2, "For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him."

The Lord Jesus appeared as a dry root out of the parched ground meaning a sinless man among human beings who were physically alive but spiritually dead.

Our Lord states in John 15:1 that He is the **"true vine."**

Unless the believer remains in fellowship with the Lord the quality of his fruitfulness will be unacceptable.

1 Cor. 3:11-15, "For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any many builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be save, yet so as through fire."

Now the whole purpose of the vinedresser is to tend the vines so that they may produce fruit. Just like the vinedresser God our Father who owns the land and tends the vineyard, He is vitally interested and cares for each believer who is in union with His Son Jesus Christ.

*John 15:2, "**Every branch in Me(believers)** that does not bear fruit(a carnal believer) He(God the Father) takes away; and every **branch** that bears fruit, He prunes it(purifies it) so that it may bear more fruit(divine good production)."*

In order to produce divine good, you must be filled with the Holy Spirit. That is the continual use of 1 John 1:9.

"Branch," refers to shoot, which comes forth from, the central vine; therefore, its life and growth depend on the trunk of the grapevine.