

#### Core Value #10

## Relying on God



## What does it mean to be free?







# Marathon

"Get a full tank of freedom and drive the American road."

# Most dangerous drug for your soul





## Natural State

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Dependence on God Interdependence on One Another

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.

<sup>2</sup> He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.

<sup>3</sup> You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

<sup>4</sup> Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

<sup>5</sup> "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

<sup>6</sup> If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.

<sup>7</sup> If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

<sup>8</sup> This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

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What if he really meant that we cannot do anything that matters without him?

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What if he really meant that we will only live the life we were created for and we will only be productive for his kingdom to the degree that we RELY ON HIM?

Getting comfortable

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  - Stott, The Radical Disciple: Some Neglected Aspects of Our Calling

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We confess our dependence on God for everything, and seek to deepen our intimacy with him by living prayerfully.

Work on, Invest in the relationship

