

Reflection & Discussion Questions
The Trap of Self-Sufficiency
John 15:5

1. In what circumstances are you most tempted to rely on yourself instead of the Lord?
 - How is the Lord helping you depend more on Him in one of these areas?

2. Do you find it difficult to ask for help or receive help from others? How does this affect your relationships?
 - What is one way you can grow in this area?

3. Is self-sufficiency a sin? Why or why not?

4. How has God used difficult circumstances or difficult people to cause you to rely more on Him?
 - What did you learn about yourself?

 - What did you learn about the Lord?

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5. Describe the role pride has in self-sufficiency.

- Will you pray the prayer of Psalm 139:23-24; asking the Lord to reveal any pride that is causing self-sufficiency?

6. How does the example of Christ's dependence on the Father encourage you to do the same?

7. In what ways does a quiet time help you grow in your dependence on the Lord?

8. How do the words of Christ, "Abide in Me" encourage you?

- In what ways can those same words impact your daily life?
- Give an example of how you are learning to abide in Christ.