

Keep Calm & Overflow!

I. How Will We Live?

- A. **How would you live 2015** if you knew that every failure made you wiser, every hardship stronger, every unanswered question trust God more, every test brought promotion?
- B. **How would you live 2015** if you knew that God plans to prosper you and be with you in every valley, to make sure you come through to the other side unshaken?
- C. **How would you live 2015** if you knew that people around you really love you and **those who intend evil & betray you can only sell you into your destiny** just like Judas did Jesus?
- D. **How would you live 2015** if you knew that God likes you and NOTHING can separate you from his love?

Would you live MORE BOLDLY, EXPECT good things, would you THINK BIGGER, GIVE more, LOVE everyone, SLEEP better?

II. Foundation for Overflowing Life

A. His Suffering is Our Victory

[John 16.33 AMP](#) I have told you these things, so that **in Me** you may have [perfect] **peace** and confidence. In the world you have tribulation and trials and distress and frustration; but be of good cheer [take **courage**; be **confident, certain, undaunted**]! For I have overcome the world. [***I have deprived it of power to harm you and have conquered it for you.***]

B. We Look to the King and Find Grace

Our response to God is a response. He leads, we follow! Active Passivity!

[Ps 123.1](#) To **you** I lift up **my** eyes,
O you who are **enthroned** in the heavens!

- 2 Behold, as the eyes of servants
look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maidservant
to the hand of her mistress,
so **our eyes look** to the LORD our God,
till he has **mercy**¹ upon us.

When the MERCY; GRACE; FAVOR comes, then we ACT!

III. Interactive Overflow

David Rudolph & the Land in Cyprus (olive trees, vines.
200 vines; 800 years old)

- John 15.1 MSSG “I am the **Real Vine** and my **Father is the Farmer**.
2 He cuts off every branch of me that doesn’t bear grapes. And
every branch that is grape-bearing he prunes back so *it will*
bear even more. 3 You are **already pruned back** by the message
I have spoken.
- 4 “**Live in me. Make your home in me just as I do in you.** In the
same way that a branch can’t bear grapes by itself but **only by**
being joined to the vine, you can’t bear fruit unless you are
joined with me.
- 5 “**I am the Vine, you are the branches. When you’re joined** with
me and I with you, the relation intimate and organic, **the harvest**
is sure to be abundant. Separated, you can’t produce a thing. 6
Anyone who separates from me is deadwood, gathered up and
thrown on the bonfire. 7 But if you **make yourselves at home**
with me and my words are at home in you, you can be sure that
whatever you ask will be listened to and acted upon. 8 This is
how my Father shows who he is—when you produce grapes,
when you mature as my disciples. (*or bear much fruit*)

A. Vine – Branches

¹ חָנַן ḥānan – to show favor; be gracious to; generous toward, pity

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The Vine lives on and on. (some vines can be traced back almost 2000 years) It has roots, supports the branches, supplies raw material.

The Branches are for a season. Have leaves (transpiration; photosynthesis). Bear fruit out of an intimate & organic relationship.

ESV 7 If you abide in me, and my words (rhema) abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 By this my Father is glorified, that **you bear much fruit** and so prove to be my disciples.

Sharing the Divine Creativity & Desires of God -->

B. The Vinedresser's Glory –

COMMANDARIA; 800 BC.; King Richard Lion heart; 12th Century wedding; "King of Wines & Wine of Kings!

Not the current style; Asked the old winemakers if they would teach them the traditional style. They would weep with joy because their own children weren't interested.

Winemaking takes generations to perfect

Crushed the grapes; First stage of fermentation in stainless steel; Ordered the oak wine barrels;

When they draw the wine to the barrels, it is rated. Sugar, acidity, aroma, flavor. Best in at least 50 years!

Filled the barrels. Still more. Filled all the empty bottles at the winery. Staff went home brought all their canning jars, even mixing bowls!

Much FRUIT! OVERFLOW, ABUNDANCE!

III. Heaven to Earth

A. Creative Joy

- 9 “I’ve **loved you the way my Father has loved me**. Make yourselves **at home in my love**. 10 If you keep my **commands**, you’ll remain intimately at home in my love. That’s what I’ve done—kept my Father’s commands and made myself at home in his love.
- 11 “I’ve told you these things **for a purpose**: that **my joy might be your joy**, and your joy wholly mature.

B. Creative Love

- 12 This is my command: **Love one another the way I loved you**. 13 This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. 14 You are my friends when you do the things I command you. 15 I’m no longer calling you servants because servants don’t understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I’ve named you friends because I’ve let you in on everything I’ve heard from the Father.
- 16 “You didn’t choose me, remember; **I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won’t spoil**. As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you.

B. Fruit that Lasts

John 15.16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your **fruit should [remain]**, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.

Long Lasting Overflow (Bottling the Wine)

A Reformation of Hope. His Words Living in Us.

Ideas of Liberty entirely sprang from the Biblical Worldview of the Reformation.

Concepts: Dignity of Human Life; (all men created equal --
Christ died for all)

From Abiding Worship & Prayer Heavens are Opened;
Solutions & Downloads Come

Every Revival has Released Technologies

Access to Truth; Beneficial Technologies; Discoveries; Justice

[Rom 15.13 NIV](#) May the God of hope **fill you with all joy and peace** as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

2015! Overflow

Access to the **Overflow** Harvest of

Breakthrough Concepts & Inventions

Concepts — Ideas that become institutions

— Solutions to Systemic Injustice

— Better Ways of Doing Things

Inventions — Technologies

— Procedures