

**Who Is Feeding  
Whom!  
Romans 11:17-21**




# Observations

- **Biblical narratives often use race as the context**
- **If you were not a Jew, according to the Jews, you were a Gentile**
- **The Jews were historically God's chosen people, because of Abraham's—their father's—predictable faithfulness**
- **Genesis 18:19, tells us why God chose Abraham to be the father of His nation, and ultimately the father of Jesus' earthly heritage**



# Observations


- The Old Testament Israel sought salvation its own way and didn't get it, Romans 10:1-4
- The Gentiles (who we are) are given an opportunity for salvation
- Using a “tree branch” analogy in Romans 11, Paul says that some Jews have been “*broken off*” because of their disobedience and we (*gentiles*) have been grafted in



**➔ As a result we now receive  
the nourishment we need  
from the root of the tree**


**But Paul Says, Don't Get  
The Bighead!**

**➔ Remember Verse 18: You  
don't support the root, THE  
ROOT SUPPORTS YOU!**



**When You Support  
The Root:**

***YOU BECOME  
WHAT THE  
ROOT WANTS  
YOU TO BE!***



What Kind Of  
Tree Is This?

Lemon Tree



**What Kind Of  
Tree Is This?**

**Pear Tree**



What Kind Of  
Tree Is This?

Orange Tree





# What Is Grafting?



Attaching the shoot of one plant to the “Rootstock” of another to change the flavor or the color of plant you grow

# Man's Grafting!

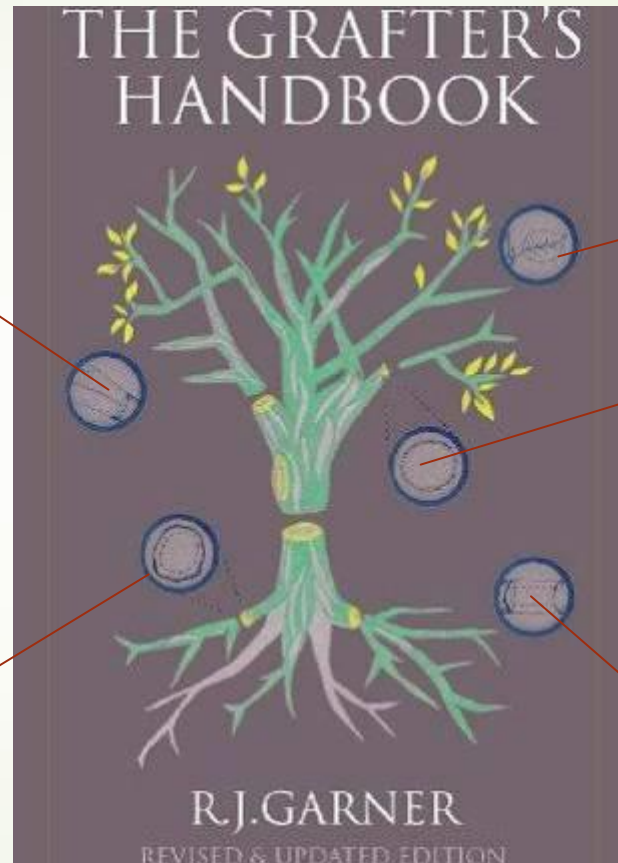
Apple

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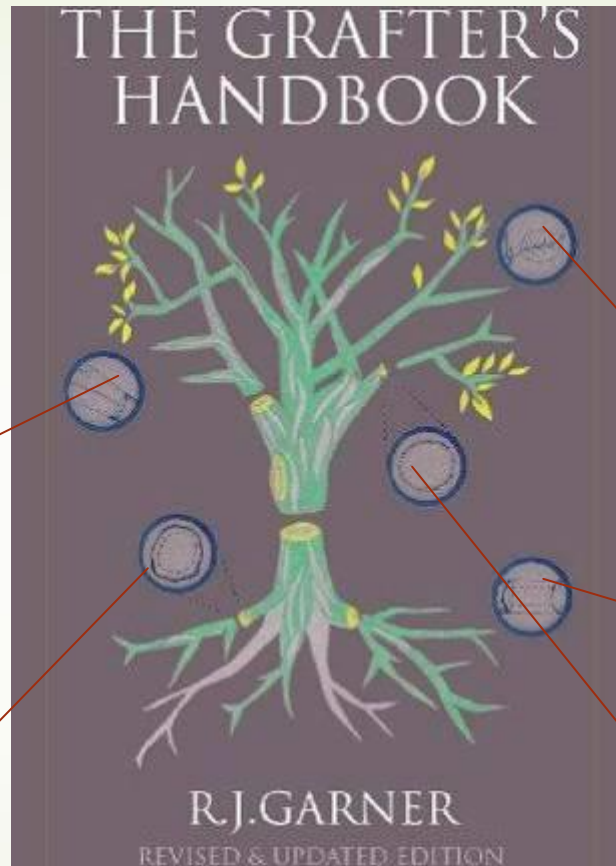
# Man Can Literally Graft Combination Fruit Trees!



# Man Can Graft Several Combinations Together!

How To Graft  
Fruit Trees:  
Grow Multiple  
Types Of Fruit  
On One Tree





**Is This Grafting Scriptural?**

**Baptist**

**Catholic**

**Methodist**

**Adventist**

**Presbyterian**

**Who's Feeding Who?**



***Man Wants To Do In The  
Religious World What He  
Does In The Plant World***

**That Won't Work!**




# Remember God's Principles Of Growth!

Genesis 1:11-12

*“And God said, let the earth bring forth  
Grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit  
yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in  
itself upon the earth and it was so.*


*And the earth brought forth grass, and herb  
yielding seed after his kind, and the tree  
yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after  
his kind; and God saw that it was good.”*



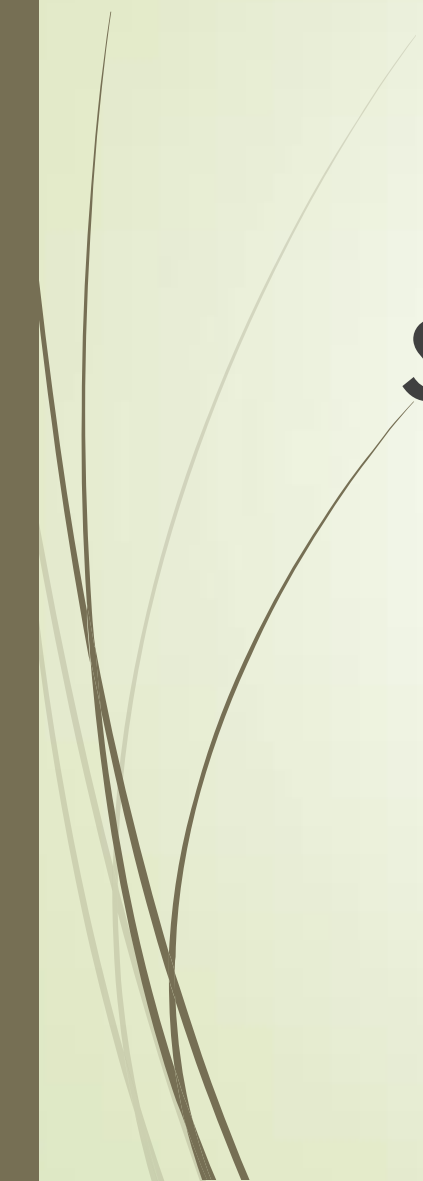
**Listen to Jesus Continue  
His Own “Plant Analogy”  
Matthew 15:13**

***“But He answered and said, Every plant which my heavenly father hath not planted will be uprooted.”***





***If The Seed Is The Word  
Of God, Luke 8:11, We  
Should Be Able To Go To  
God's Word To See How  
The Plant Should Look!  
(If Man Has Not Tampered  
With It)***





# God's Tampering Warnings

## #1 Proverbs 30:6

*“Add thou not unto His words, lest He reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.”*




## #2 1 Corinthians 4:6


***“And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and to Apollos for your sakes; that ye may learn in us not to think of men above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.”***



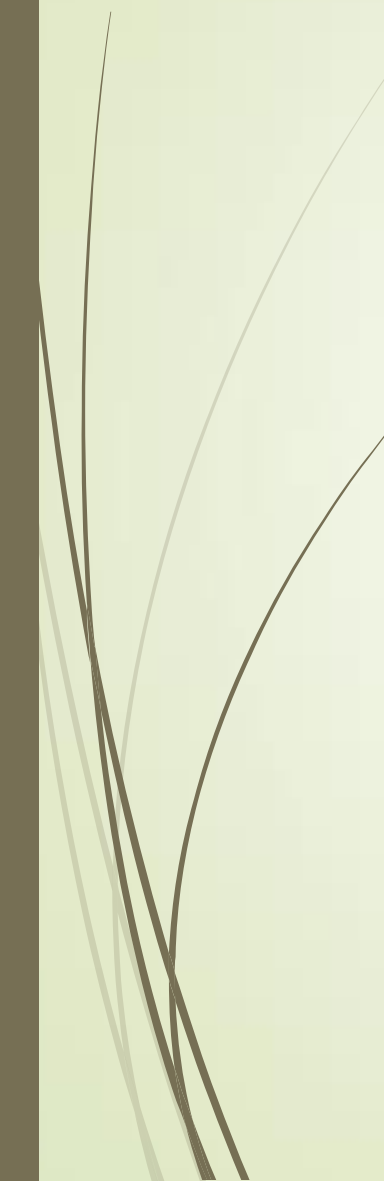
## **#3 Revelation 22:18-19**

***“For I testify unto every man that heareth the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book.”***





***“And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.”***





# The Plan Of Salvation

**Hear the Gospel** **Acts 15:7**

**Believer the Gospel** **Acts 15:7**

**Repent Of Sins** **Acts 17:30**

**Confess Christ** **Acts 8:37**

**Be Baptized** **Acts 8:38**