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How do I abide? Get as _____ as you possibly can to Jesus Christ. Believe the Word which tells you that *you are a branch*.

Let God _____ you of all the stuff that the world tries to put on you. Work on your relationship with Jesus!

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