

## Growth Group Questions – 25/4/2021 – Jack Kapinga

*If pressed for time then skip questions 1, 2 and 5.*

1) Why do you think it's helpful and valuable for a business, organisation or a Church to have a clear Vision Statement?

2) While some may think that all Churches have the same Vision for the future (ie the same values and direction), we know that isn't the case. What are some quite different 'Visions' that some have that are quite different to our own?

3) Our Vision 2030 for Riverbank is "To be people who love God, love our Community (ie the lost), and love the Church (ie each other)". How well do you think this captures the core of the Bible's teaching about God's will for our lives and our Church?

*Read Mark 12:28-34.*

4) Jesus says that the most important command is to "Love the Lord your God". Why is this foundational to everything else we do, including loving the lost and loving each other?

5) The concept of Loving God incorporates a whole range of other Biblical concepts. Three mentioned in the Sermon were Trusting God, Worshipping God and Serving God. Can you suggest any others?

6) Jesus describes the basis of Loving God when he says "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one", a phrase which reminds us that he is the one true God. How would you explain in more detail the reasons why you personally love the one true God?

7) What do you think it really means to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength"?

8) How would you describe your own Love for the Lord? How can you personally, and we as a whole Church at Riverbank, grow in our love for the Lord?