# Vision Sunday #1

A Christ- centred community, making disciples who love God, love His Word, and love one another, reaching into the world with the Gospel

"Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. <sup>19</sup> See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, 21 the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

Isaiah 43:18-21

#### We are Christ-Centred...

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup>He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's

## people.

<sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying: You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. <sup>10</sup> You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."

**Revelation 5:6-10** 

#### We are a Community...

So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, <sup>27</sup> for all of you who were **baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves** with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Galatians 3:26-29

We are Disciples/ Apprentices of Jesus.... <sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.<sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:16-20

We are learning to Love God more-Father, Son and Holy Spirit <sup>34</sup> Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. <sup>35</sup> One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: <sup>36</sup> "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" <sup>37</sup> Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' <sup>38</sup> This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup> And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' <sup>40</sup> All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:34-40

#### We are learning to love God's Word

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

The Purpose of the Bible: not just Information, but Transformation of our behaviour.

### How?

Sunday Morning- worship/lift up Father, Son and Holy Spirit

- **Biblical Preaching for Transformation** 

Prayer- we express our dependence on God

- Prayer- women, men, corporate, prayer chain

- Apprentice Training to Jesus- age appropriate

# How?

- Disciple Making Journey
- Life Groups
- -Communion
- Family Matters- support for families, husband/wife relationships, Parenting
- Multiple Voices- personal stories, free up pastor, train more
- Personal Bible Reading Plan

Above all else, guard your HEART, for it is the wellspring of LIFE.

Proverbs 4:23