

# Living Church

## Living Evangelism

**Scriptures quoted:** Rev. 3:1; Luke 19:10; 1 Peter 2:9; 1 Cor. 9:20-23; Acts 8:35; Rom. 1:1-3; 1 Cor. 15:3-5; Rom. 10:13-15; Rom. 1:20; Psalm 19:1-4; Rom. 2:14 (Msg); John 1:18; 14:9; Col. 1:15; 1 John 4:12; Acts 4:12.

1. Do you believe that every person you know would be better off if Jesus was at the centre of their lives? Why/why not?
2. What is our identity and vocation as Christians/church? What is wrong with the “religious club” idea of church? In which way does 1 Peter 2:9 speak of our identity and vocation?
3. Steve said: “We don’t know who we are until we know whose we are!” What do you think?
4. What is right /wrong with Archbishop William Temple’s famous saying: ‘The church is the only organisation in the world that exists for the benefit of its non-members.’
5. In which way does our church organise itself for mission? In which way must we meet people who are not yet Christians on their turf? Why is this so important?
6. Andy Stanley: “It’s a shame that so many churches are married to a designed-by-Christians-for-Christians-only culture. A culture in which they talk about the Great Commission, sing songs about the Great Commission, but refuse to reorganise their churches around the Great Commission.” Thoughts?
7. Steve said: “We simply are not declaring the gospel if we do not share with people God’s love expressed in the gift of Jesus, who came to live amongst us, to die for our sins and to rise again . . . and through Jesus, God invites us all to a wonderful new life of freedom and forgiveness, if we believe in him. What is our MESSAGE? Why is it so important to get this right?
8. Read Romans 10:13-15. People might not come to know God because we did not tell them. How does this make you feel?
9. Rick Warren told the story of his father and ‘One more for Jesus.’ Let us pray for ourselves and for others in our Life Groups that we too would have the passion that Rick Warren’s dad had.