

Questions for Pruning

Looking at the Vine

- What is currently consuming our time, energy, and attention?
- Where are we seeing genuine life and fruit?
- What are we working hard to sustain that no longer seems to bear fruit?
- If we were starting this church today, what would we choose differently?

Discernment

- What are we holding onto because it is faithful—and what are we holding onto because it is familiar?
- What ministry once served God's purposes well but may have completed its season?
- What are we afraid might happen if we let this go?
- Where might God be inviting us to trust rather than control?

Capacity

- If we stopped doing one thing, what new possibility would it make room for?
- What is preventing us from responding to where God is already at work in our neighborhood?
- Are our resources aligned with our deepest sense of calling?
- What would create more space for relationships, discipleship, and mission?

Grieving Well

- Before we let something go, how can we honor the lives it touched and the faithfulness it represented?
- How might we celebrate a ministry's legacy rather than simply close it?
- What stories do we need to tell before we move on?

Looking Ahead

- What new growth are we hoping this season of pruning will make possible?

- If we trusted that God was already preparing the next season of fruitfulness, what would we be willing to release?
- What is one courageous act of letting go that could position us for greater faithfulness?

What if pruning isn't about losing part of who we are—but becoming more fully who God is calling us to be?