

## The Power of Vision Series

### In Pursuit of the vision from God

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**Proverbs 20:4** The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

Without great drives, great visions will lead to great frustrations in life

Vision is a picture of the reality stemming from the Word of God that steers you towards exploits.

Vision gives direction to life, ends guess work and struggles..

### Vision are specific

1. What to do
  - a. **1 Kings 17:8-9** .<sup>8</sup> And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,<sup>9</sup> Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.
2. When to do it
  - a. **Habakkuk 2:3** For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
3. Where to do it
  - a. **Genesis 12:1,7** Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:<sup>7</sup> And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.
4. How to do it
  - a. **Ezekiel 37:3-4** Again he said unto me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.<sup>5</sup> Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:

### How do I pursue this vision?

1. Rely on God fully

- a. **John 15:4-5** Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.<sup>5</sup> I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
- b. **Proverbs 3:5** Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
- c. **Jeremiah 17:5-8** <sup>5</sup> Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.<sup>6</sup> For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.<sup>7</sup> Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.<sup>8</sup> For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

## 2. The Zeal of God

- a. **Romans 10:2** For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.
- b. **Titus 2:14** Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
- c. **Philippians 3:14** I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

## 3. Sensitivity to timing

- a. **Ecclesiastes 3:1** To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
- b. **Hab 2:3** For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
- c. **Joshua 6:15-16,20** <sup>15</sup> And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they

compassed the city seven times.<sup>16</sup> And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city. <sup>20</sup> So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

- d. **1 Samuel 13:9-12** <sup>10</sup> And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him.<sup>11</sup> And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash; <sup>12</sup> Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering. And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.