

Empowering a Generation to Have Vision beyond Sight

Sight

The ability or power to see or observe

(We perceive up to 80% of all impressions by means of our sight)

- Seeing Clearer – Gives Understanding
- Seeing Further – Gives Preparation
- Seeing Broader – Gives Perspective

Vision

The state of being able to see, and the ability to think about or plan the future with imagination and wisdom from God.

Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

*Where there is no **vision**, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.*

Proverbs 29:18 (GW)

Without prophetic vision people run wild, but blessed are those who follow God's teachings.

The Prophetic Call to be Generational Dreamers and Visionaries

Acts 2:16-17 (KJV)

*¹⁶ But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; ¹⁷ And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall **prophesy**, and your young men shall see **visions**, and your old men shall **dream dreams**:*

- Dreams are ideas (99% Inspiration + 1% Perspiration)
- Visions are dreams made into plans (99% Perspiration + 1% Inspiration)

Having Vision beyond Sight (Elisha and the Young Man – 2 Kings 6:1-17)

1) This Young Man was a Servant who was **Passionate**

2) He could see the **Danger**, but not the **Deliverance**

3) Elisha was not **Angry** at this Young Man

4) Elisha **gave** Encouragement and **prayed** for Empowerment

2 Kings 6:16-17 (KJV)

¹⁶ And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. ¹⁷ And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

To Encourage

Giving someone support, confidence, or hope, persuasion to do or to continue something, to stimulate the development of an activity, state, or belief.

- Are we working to **encourage** this (all) generation(s)?

To Empower

*To make (someone) stronger and more confident, to give them the **means** to achieve something, especially in **controlling** their life and **claiming** their rights.*

- Are we working to **empower** this (all) generation(s)?

Follow Jesus' Example of Encouragement and Empowerment

- Demonstrate **personal** concern
- Give **sound** Biblical instruction
- Pray for **illumination**

John 14:1-16 (NLT)

¹ *Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me.*

⁵ *"No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?"* ⁶ *Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.*

¹⁶ *And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you.*

Remember... God has called us to do life through the power of together

1 Thessalonians 5:11 (NLT)

¹¹ *So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing*

Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)

¹⁶ *He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.*

**God Bless,
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