

Connect 301 – Week 8

The Power of a Personal Vision

Bible text to read & study:

___ Ephesians 3:20

___ John 4:35

___ 2 Corinthians 4:18

___ Proverbs 29:18

I. What is vision?

- A. Vision is like a cup that enables or limits your ability to receive from God.
- B. Our cup can never be too large to contain all that God is able to pour in.
- C. Vision is that special something that can cause us to feel challenged and compels us to make our mark on this world as we walk through it.
- D. Examples of visionaries
 - ✓ Adam & Eve
 - ✓ Elisha
 - ✓ Abraham & Sarah
 - ✓ Gideon

II. The importance of vision

- A. It is tragic when there is no vision in a church.
- B. When there is focus and vision, everybody succeeds.
- C. When you don't have vision, you become a nit-picker.
- D. People without vision usually criticize those with vision.
- E. Vision compels you to go on when others are ready to quit.

III. Principles of vision

- A. If you can see the invisible, you can accomplish the impossible.
- B. Vision gives a comprehensive sense of:
 - 1. Where you are now
 - 2. Where you are going
 - 3. The big picture
 - 4. Where you are headed

C. Vision is the driving force behind all _____
_____.

D. Vision is not the same as _____ or the approval of _____.

IV. Real success

A. Real success is the result of vision.

B. Three keys to real success:

1. Vision: What we want
2. Knowledge: How to get it
3. Obedience: Obey

V. What freezes the "gasoline" of vision?

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

E. _____

F. _____

G. _____

VI. How do we get vision?

A. True vision is born in prayer.

B. You don't have to understand how it will come to pass.

C. You need to get to the "WHAT."

Vision is the seed of what will become reality.

Facts are always subject to change, but God's Word is not.

IF YOU CAN SEE THE INVISIBLE, YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH THE IMPOSSIBLE!

Discussion: How does this leadership dynamic challenge you? What are you going to do to apply these principles in your day-to-day life...starting now?