

“Vision: GOD’s Way of giving His People Sight beyond what’s Seen”

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KEYNOTE SCRIPTURE

Acts 26:12-18

“12 “While so engaged as I was journeying to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests, 13 at midday, O King, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining all around me and those who were journeying with me. 14 And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew dialect, ‘Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’ 15 And I said, ‘Who are You, Lord?’ And the Lord said, ‘I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. 16 But get up and stand on your feet; for this purpose I have appeared to you, to appoint you a minister and a witness not only to the things which you have seen, but also to the things in which I will appear to you; 17 rescuing you from the Jewish people and from the Gentiles, to whom I am sending you, 18 to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the dominion of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.’

VISION DEFINED

A vivid image of a future event impressed upon one’s mind in the present, to inform one of things to come. The images impact is so powerful that it causes one to plan, sacrifice, mobilize, and discipline oneself to participate in bringing the image into reality.

WHAT IS A VISION FROM GOD?

A vision from GOD is a supernatural revelation of Himself that’s given to whom He chooses where one receives dynamic insight into His being, character, or purpose which affirms His reality and increases your faith in Him beyond that which you’ve ever known about Him.

How do we know when a vision is from GOD?

Acts 26:12-23

- (V. 12) Visions from GOD are given to people who are doing something in life (“...as I went...”) GOD doesn’t give vision to the motionless
- (V. 13) Visions from GOD are mind boggling and captivating
- (V. 14) Visions from GOD have a message (“voice speaking unto me”)
- (V. 15) Visions from GOD always reveal His identity (“I am Jesus)
- (V. 16) Visions from GOD make you move to higher planes (“But rise)
- (V. 17, 18) Visions from GOD have clear messages (“I have appeared for this purpose... Delivering thee from the people”)
- (V. 19, 20) Visions from GOD mobilize you, leading you to obedience. There is no struggle—just effort and hard work!
- (V. 21) Visions from GOD always have demonic opposition and persecution (“For these causes”)
- (V. 22) Visions from GOD are always empowered by GOD and financed by Him (“...having obtained help of GOD...”)
- (V. 23) Visions from GOD glorify Christ our LORD and not the person who has the vision