VISION - Pt. 2 - "Building Blocks of Vision"

vi·sion =

1. : the ability to see : sight or eyesight

2. : something that you imagine : a picture that you see in your mind

b: a thought, concept, or object formed by the imagination
c: a manifestation to the senses of something immaterial

b (1) mode of **seeing** or **conceiving in the mind**, **foresight** <a person of vision>

Hab. 2:1

The Just Live by Faith

² Then the LORD answered me and said:

"Write the **vision**

And make it plain on tablets,

That he may run who reads it.

For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time;

But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie.

Though it tarries, wait for it;

Because it will surely come,

It will not tarry.....

But the just shall live by his faith.

"Vision" = châzôwn, khaw-zone'; a sight, a mental sight

Prov. 29:18

"Where *there is* no **vision**, the people **cast off restraint**"

"Cast off restraint" = para; let go, left alone:—avoid, draw the away, get out of control, run wild, go loose, lack of restraint, neglect, relent, uncovered, unrestrained

Eph 1:17

that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, 18 that the eyes of your understanding would be enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, 9 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe,

//--> VISION reveals our TRUE Identity

//--> **VISION** releases the **POWER** of God into our lives

6 Building Blocks of Vision:

1. A Vision begins as a Concern

//--> **VISION** is the **tension** between what **IS** and what **COULD** be.

2. Prayer & Planning:

//--> To have **VISION** we must **PRAY** for Opportunities and **PLAN** as if we expect God to **Answer** our **Prayers**.

3 things Happen as we Wait:

- 1. The Vision Matures IN us
- 2. WE mature in PREPARATION for the VISION
- 3. God is at work **BEHIND** the scenes **Preparing** the **Way**.

//-→ We **tend** to **pray** for **miracles**, but in **many** situations we should be **praying** for **Opportunities**.

3. God is using your Circumstances to Position and Prepare you to Accomplish HIS Vision for your life.

//--> **Success** in **God's** eyes is remaining **Faithful** to the **Process** He has laid **out** for you.

//→ Anything we remain <u>Frustrated</u> with becomes our <u>FOCUS</u>.

//--> To **Focus** on what's **AROUND** you diminishes your ability to **Focus** on what's **BEFORE** you.

//--> Waiting time is NOT Wasted time

- 4. What God ORIGINATES, He ORCHESTRATES.
- //--> Divine VISION REQUIRES Divine INTERVENTION
- //-→ Where God Guides, God Provides
- 5. Don't Confuse your PLANS with Gods VISION

//---> Failed **PLANS** do **NOT** equal a failed **VISION**.

//--> A VISION is what could and SHOULD be.

//--> **PLANS** are a **GUESS** at the best way to get there.

6. <u>VISIONS</u> are <u>REFINED</u> - They Don't Change <u>PLANS</u> are <u>REVISED</u> - They Rarely Stay the Same

//--> BE **STUBBORN** about the **VISION** and be **FLEXIBLE** about your **Plans**.

Prov. 16:9

A man's heart plans his way, But the LORD directs his steps.