

2020 Kingdom Vision Part 4 handout

Kingdom Vision Requires A Plan for Kingdom Growth

Matthew 16:24-26 (NKJV)

1. A Kingdom 2020 vision must have a growth plan.

A. Goals are good, as long as they don't suck up all the oxygen in the room needed for growth.

B. Do your goals require all the resources that you have to get the things you want, leaving little to nothing for becoming more.

C. If you focus on goals, you may hit your goals - but that doesn't guarantee growth. If you focus on growth, you will grow and always hit goals.

D. Goals often focus on the circumstances we'd like to change.

E. That's why Jesus focused on growing His disciples first before using them to expand or change kingdom circumstances.

F. What are you exchanging your spiritual and personal growth for? Relief from current circumstances, more things, promotion on your job, success in your business?

G. Some of the things we want, will be out of our reach, as long as we stay at our current capacity.

H. What are you exchanging for the Kingdom growth of your soul?

I. When you get a prophesy it comes with grow room, because you'll need to grow to fit into it.

J. Soul growth in the Kingdom is a condition of prosperity and healing. **3 John 1:2 (NKJV)**

K. To prosper in all things we must grow in all things. As a matter of fact, the Kingdom expands to all things through the growth of its subjects. **Luke 13:20-21 (NKJV)**

L. Like leaven or yeast in dough, kingdom growth causes you to rise in all areas of your life. Not just your spiritual life, but your health, your relationships, your intelligence, your creativity – all things.

M. Wherever you grow in life, you bring Christ and His Kingdom.

N. Kingdom growth adds all the things you need in your life, things you might never have until you grow. **Ephesians 4:15 (NKJV) Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)**

O. Kingdom growth is incremental not monumental. In other words, we grow a little at a time. **Luke 13:18-19 (NKJV)**

2. Goals to prosper require plans to grow.

A. We must become more, in order to have more.

B. We may think subconsciously that like in physical growth, as time passed, we got taller, stronger, smarter. As time goes by, we simply got better.

C. The problem is, we don't improve by simply living. Growth must be intentional; growth requires a plan.

D. A growth plan doesn't happen when you feel like doing it.

E. Motivation is not going to strike you like lightning and then you are going to suddenly develop a growth plan.

F. When you start growing, motivation will come, because of the benefits you experience from growing. Motivation is like love and happiness, It's a by-product.

G. Once you start growing, the world starts opening to you, things that were out of reach, are now within reach. You might have to stretch but you can reach what was once the unreachable.

H. Don't wait to feel motivated. Just do it, and you will become motivated to continue.

A Harvard Psychologist Jerome Bruner says *"You're more likely to act yourself into feeling, than*

I. You may not be inspired but I guarantee you, if you do it, you will be.

3. Quit making excuses for not growing.

A. The time isn't right to begin. Haven't we all used that one?

B. Jesus' disciples did that very thing, right in front of Jesus. Jesus was in the middle of a great revival, while the disciples were caught up in the dinner time routine. **John 4:34-36 (NKJV)**

C. When I received a prophetic Word 40 years ago about being called into ministry, many others we knew, received the same kind of prophetic Word of their call into ministry.

D. I knew that I needed to find a Pastor to submit to and learn from.

E. Prophecies come with room to grow, and that's why it doesn't always fit immediately, we must grow into it.

F. Some opportunities wait for no one. If you don't seize them someone else will.

G. How many people have received prophetic Words about writing books?

H. Growth is what projects you into what God has for you. Without growth you can't get there.

I. If you have a calling in ministry in the church, or in the marketplace, what are you doing to prepare for it?

I. Then there's the excuse of having to find the best way before I start.

J. You want to see the whole route before you begin the journey. But you see progressively. As you move forward, a little more of the road is revealed to you.

K. If you want to see more of the way then get moving.

L. Quit waiting until conditions are perfect before you start. Don't get analysis paralysis.

M. You want to know what God wants you to do next?