

2020 Kingdom Vision Part 6 handout

Developing a Kingdom vision from the Heart

Romans 8:5-8 (NKJV)

1. You can't have a Kingdom vision with a carnal mind.

Romans 14:17 (NKJV)

A. When we live according to the flesh, we set our minds on the things of the flesh. The word carnal comes from the word carnivore – meat eater.

B. When we are living according to the Spirit, we set our perception and thinking on the things of the Spirit, which brings life and peace.

C. We don't automatically change from a carnal mind to a spiritual mind. As believers we must develop the "spirit of our minds."

D. Do we continue to see things the same way we did before we were reborn spiritually or do we see things a different way in light of our new birth in Christ? **2 Corinthians 5:16-17 (NKJV)**

E. That means we are not the same. We are new creatures in Christ, old things are passing away and all things are becoming new.

F. The old carnal way of thinking passes away, while the spiritual way becomes the new way of thinking.

G. Why is that so important? What we think about we bring about. **Proverbs 23:7 (KJV)**

H. In the Kingdom of God the way we think changes because the way we live changes.

I. When Jesus healed the sick, it changed the way his disciples thought about the sick. Before, they thought poor fellow, now, hey, Jesus can heal you.

J. When Jesus cast out demons, they saw the demon possessed as opportunities for deliverance.

K. When you read the Bible it doesn't just change what you think, it changes the way you think.

2. Kingdom vision changes the way you think about yourself

A. If you continue to see yourself the same as you were, you'll continue to behave the same ways you have behaved.

B. When you see yourself as being reborn and newly created in your heart, your vision of yourself and all you can be changes.

C. You used to see yourself as a sinner, and now you must learn to see yourself as a saint.

D. You were born in a poor family and now you are reborn into a royal family.

Revelation 1:6 (NKJV)

E. You were once in darkness and now you are in the light. Your thoughts were in darkness, but now you think in a different way, you think in the light. **1 Peter 2:9 (NKJV)**

F. You thought about yourself in condemning ways and now you must think a different way about yourself. **Romans 8:1-2 (NKJV)**

3. 2020 Kingdom vision sees things differently because the King and His Kingdom makes things different.

A. The first vision adjustment begins with looking into different mirrors.

B. Sin has a devastating impact on how we see ourselves.

C. King David damaged his self - image with his own sins.

D. Listen to what King David says to the Lord about it. **Psalms 51:10-11 (NKJV)**

E. King David realized his sins had damaged not only God's heart but also his own heart.

F. He went on to say how hiding iniquity in our hearts keeps us from being heard by God. **Psalms 66:18 (NKJV)**

G. Have your past sins damaged your image of yourself?

H. If you aren't dealing with it, you're hiding it. **1 John 1:8-9 (NKJV)**

I. He forgives us of our sins and cleanses us from all unrighteousness. That my friend changes our hearts.

J. It's a sad thing to see people that have never got past their past and how it's damaged them and their vision for what life could be.

K. Jesus Christ came to give those who are willing to believe in Him a new heart that's free from their past sins and free to fulfill their kingdom purpose.

Redemption restores our broken image, and gives us a new God created image that we can love and be thankful for.