

**Main Idea:** In life, we see what we are prepared to see and what we see is often what we get.

**New Year's Resolutions**

Whether or not you are a "resolution person," the new year represents a fresh start. Subconsciously we are all looking for better in the coming year. Few of us are wired to look for worse. Almost all of us hope that things (especially our things) will improve in the coming year. The question is...Can you see them improving?

**What do You See?**

If you are going to realize your dream, you have to see it first. That requires vision. Elisha knew he had already won the battle. He could see what his servant could not. His servant was a wanderer. He couldn't see it. God changed that for him and He will change that for you too.

**Q1: What is Vision?**

Vision is the ability to see more than others see and before others see. Success is often built on what a person sees and when they see it. Your marriage, your health, and your business are all built on what you see and when you see it. Everybody knows the sting of regret – not seeing it or seeing it too late (Hosea 4:6).

**Q2: Where should I Look?**

**God gifts vision to people who put themselves in the right place to receive it (Proverbs 29:18). The bigger God becomes to us, the closer we get to discovering and reaching our dreams. You will never find this kind of lasting vision apart from God.**

**Q3: How about Me?**

1. **Look Within You: What do you feel?** Your feelings often reveal the need. Now it takes vision to see the solution.
2. **Look Behind You: What have you learned?** Take note of what you have learned from the past.
3. **Look Above You: What does God expect?** Are you doing what you know you should do?
4. **Look Beside You: What resources are available?** Involve yourself in this church and find encouragement.

**Family Night Big Idea**

You children should learn to separate fantasy from vision. Make-believe is part of every childhood, but vision is a necessary part of growing up.

**Discussion Starter – Read 2Kings 6:8-23**

- **Elementary School** – Ask, "Why did Israel's king avoid the enemy?" Ask, "What did Elisha see that his servant could not see?" Ask, "Why did Aram stop raiding Israel?"
- **Middle/ High School** – Ask, "Why do you suppose Elisha could see God's army but his servant could not?" Ask, "Why is it important to have vision?" Ask, "What might God be asking you to see this new year?"

**Prayer**

"Father, help us trust and obey You in order to have the vision to see what You have prepared for us. Amen."

<p><b>Velocity (Middle and High School Students)</b>  <b>Velocity:</b> Meet at the church this Wednesday, Jan. 11  <b>Gravity:</b> No Gravity this Sunday</p> <p><b>Today's Songs</b>  <i>This is Amazing Grace</i>.....Phil Wickham  <i>Me On Your Mind</i>.....Matthew West  <i>Mighty to Save</i>.....Hillsong</p> <p><b>GCC Father/Daughter Valentine Dance</b>                  Mark your calendar for February 10<sup>th</sup>. Tickets go on sale next Sunday, January 15. Location is at the Belle House again this year.</p>	<p><b>PlusONE</b>                  PlusONE represents your opportunity for spiritual growth by strengthening your personal relationship with God. In addition to attending one of our Sunday services, we are encouraging our adult population to commit to a PlusONE opportunity. Adding something to your worship is the best way to grow in your faithwalk. Check out Family Night, Personal Study or a Small Group. We would love to get you started in 2023!</p> <p><b>Velocity Ski Trip</b>                  We leave for Winter Place, West Virginia this Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. Contact Tyler if you have any questions. Everyone else, let's pray for a good trip for our teenagers.</p>
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