

# Vision Sunday

Experience God • Engage in Life-Giving Community • Discover Your Gifts • Change the World

## I. Vision Begins With God

### Key Scriptures

- Proverbs 29:18
- Psalm 127:1

### Core Ideas

- Vision is not human ambition but divine revelation
- Without God's vision, effort leads to exhaustion
- God must be the builder for the work to last

## II. God's Vision for His People

### Key Scriptures

- Matthew 5:14–16
- Ephesians 2:10
- Matthew 28:19–20
- 1 Peter 2:9

### Core Ideas

- God's people are meant to be visible witnesses, not hidden lights
- We are created with purpose and prepared for good works
- The Church exists to make disciples, not just attend gatherings
- Identity precedes activity: chosen, royal, holy, and God's possession

### Big Thought

God's vision for our lives and the Church is to live out our created purpose to change the world.

## III. How God Changes the World

### Key Ideas

- Not through political overthrow but through the reign of Jesus
- One transformed life at a time
- Through obedience, surrender, and discipleship

### Summary Statement

The world is changed by making disciples who submit to Jesus as King.

## **IV. The Disciple's Journey**

### **1. Unbeliever to Believer**

**Scripture:** Luke 4:38–39

- Jesus reveals Himself personally
- Healing and restoration precede calling
- Discipleship begins with encounter

### **2. Believer to Disciple**

**Scripture:** Luke 5:1–11

- A moment of surrender to Jesus as Lord
- Leaving the old life to follow a new purpose
- Becoming a student of Jesus' way of life
- Identity, Strength, and Restoration in Community
  - Key Scriptures
    - Matthew 16:17–19 — Identity and purpose spoken
    - Luke 22:32 — Strength through Jesus' intercession
    - John 21:15–19 — Restoration after failure

#### **Core Idea**

Jesus forms disciples through truth, prayer, and grace.

### **3. Disciple to Leader**

#### **Key Scriptures**

- Luke 9:1–6, 10
- Mark 6:30–31
- Matthew 14:22–32

#### **Core Ideas**

- Jesus sends disciples with authority and responsibility
- Leaders grow by practicing faith, not avoiding risk
- Failure becomes a place of growth, not disqualification
- Jesus gathers disciples back for reflection and rest

### **4. Leader to Servant**

**Scripture:** Acts 4:23–31

#### **Core Ideas**

- Kingdom leadership is rooted in surrender to God's will
- Power flows through humility and obedience
- God works through servants to bring healing and restoration

## **V. Vision Clarified**

### **Quote**

“A clear mental picture of what could be, fueled by the conviction that it should be.” — Andy Stanley — Visioneering

### **Key Questions**

- What if the Church functioned less like a social club and more like a holy people?
- What if our goal was formation, not just attendance?
- What if discipleship was our primary measure of success?
- Isaiah 56:1–8

## **VI. Our Call as a Church**

### **Core Response**

- Don't look backward or inward
- Offer our lives as living sacrifices
- Live out God's vision together

### **Our Commitment**

- Experience God
- Engage in Life-Giving Community
- Discover Your Gifts
- Change the World

## **VII. Where We Change the World**

### **Next Generation**

- Investing time, resources, and intentional discipleship

### **Local Community**

- Faithful service
- Open doors and welcoming spaces
- Life Groups as house churches and entry points

### **Nation**

- Sending
- Planting
- Watering

### **Global**

- Sending
- Planting
- Watering

### **Closing Thought**

God's vision is not about building something impressive — it's about forming a people who reflect Jesus and participate in the restoration of all things.