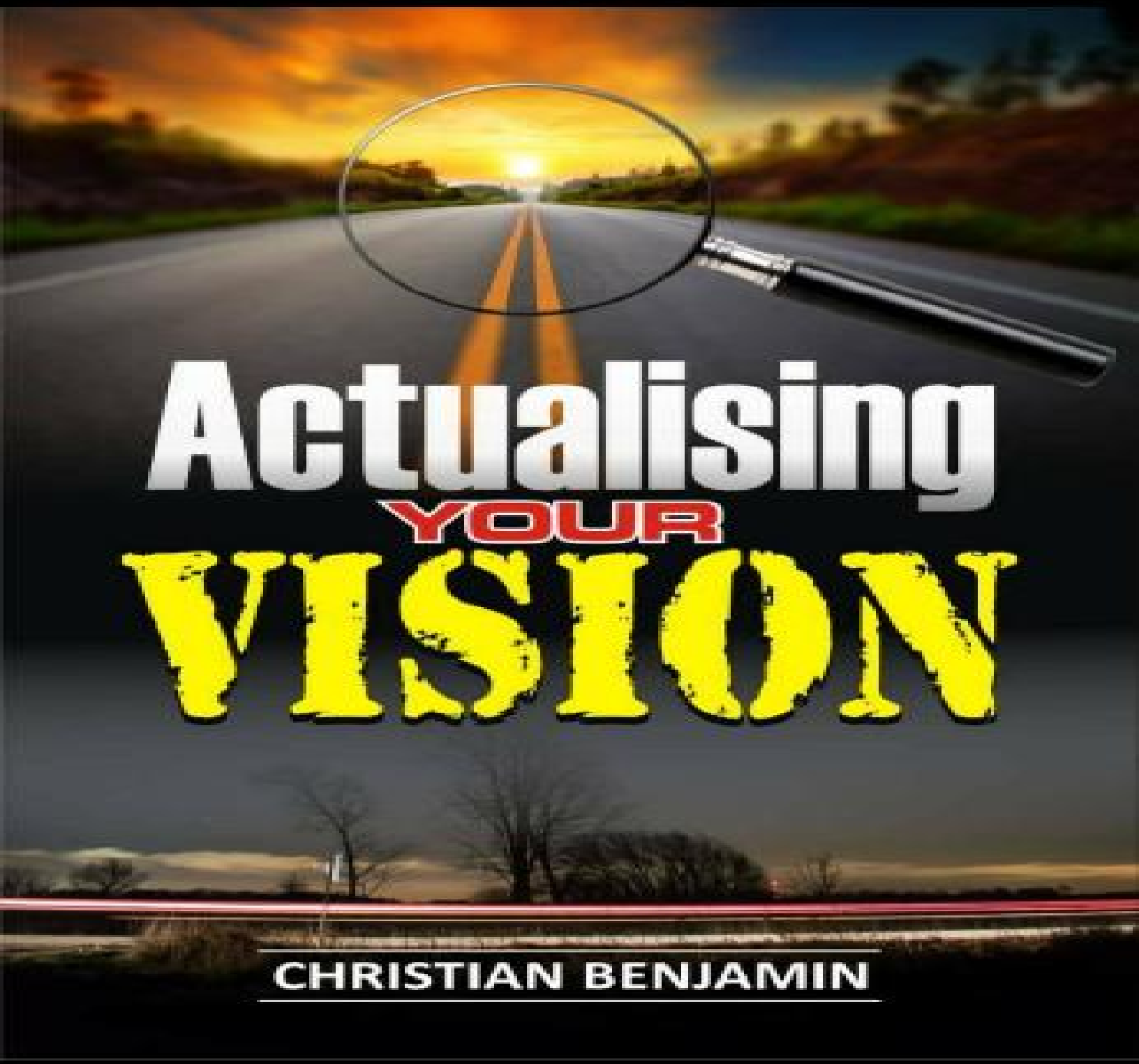
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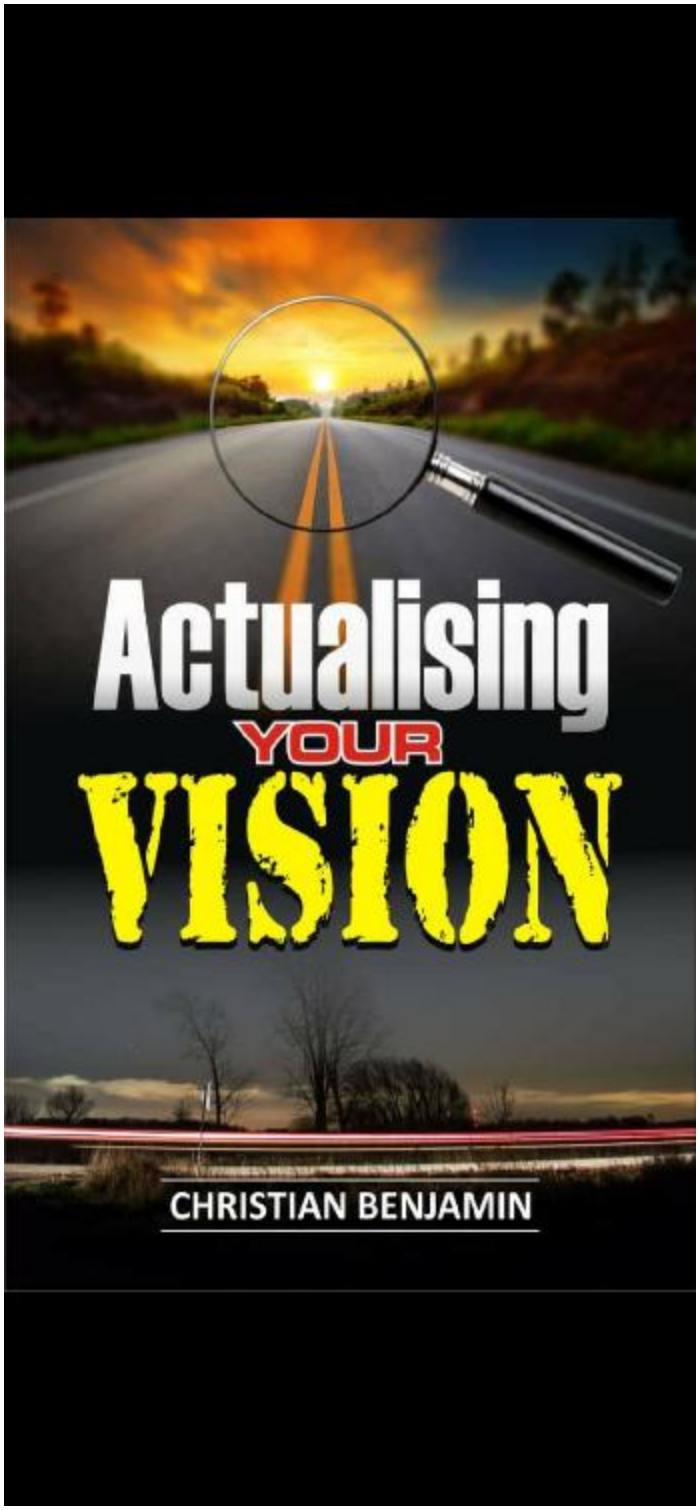
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INTRODUCTION

"I was in the spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, saying, " I am the alpha and the Omega, the first and the last" and "what you see, write in a book and send it to..."." Revelation 1:10-11

As I knelt down to pray on the 9th of July 2007 in my assigned room at the Scripture Union National Camp of Faith, Okigwe, Imo State, Nigeria; the Spirit of the Lord led me to read the book of Revelation Chapter one (1). As I came to verse 11, he stopped me. He opened my eyes to what you are about to read now in this book.

In life, if you will truly make the impact that will affect your generation and those to come, you must understand that the operations of the physical world are controlled from the spiritual.

If your eyes are not opened and your "spirit man" enlightened, you may read and understand nothing, you may look and see nothing - of course many are looking but only a few are seeing; and the few who see lead those who don't see!

Your ability to see and discover spiritual and hidden truths and translate them into the physical realm is what makes you outstanding in life. Nevertheless, what you see in life depends on what you are looking for!

When John the Apostle was carried to the island of Patmos on the Lord's Day, he was

in the spirit and got the Revelations that he subsequently documented. Had he failed to comply with the instructions of God on documentation, we would have lost all of the information in that great book.

When Ezekiel was carried into the Spirit in Ezekiel 37, he got a great revelation.

"The hand of the Lord came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones" Ezekiel 37:1

All inventions are products of *Revelational discoveries!* A man sees something others haven't yet seen, pursues its actualization with all doggedness until with all his might he gets it accomplished and the man is celebrated! For you to be truly impactful in this life therefore, you must possess the ability to see, write and send!

As you venture into reading and exploring the truth revealed in this book, I pray that the God of Heaven will open your eyes and take you into the realm of the spirit, where you will be able to see and receive visions and revelations. May he grant you the ability to understand what you see, the push/drive to have it articulately documented and the revelation of who you will send what you have documented to, for its actualization, bringing about the change you expect to happen in your life thereby impacting your world and generations to come in the miracle working name of Jesus Christ.

CHAPTER ONE

DISCOVER "THE" VISION - (WHAT YOU SEE)

"And the disciples came and said to him, "why do you speak to them in parables?" He answered and said to them, because it has been given to you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For whoever has, to him more will be given, and he will have abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him." Therefore I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand"." Matt. 13:10-13

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled..." 1 John 1:1

"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the father of glory, may give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation... the eyes of your understanding being enlightened..." Eph. 1:17-18

YOU HAVE GOT TO SEE!

"Hearing" and "seeing" are interconnected! What you keep "hearing" about, you will begin to desire to see/experience. Whatever you have seen, you have experienced in a form!

You need to see something in life. The need for seeing/sight cannot be over emphasized.

Someone said that experience is the best teacher; but I think that experience is a good teacher when you are taught by other peoples own; else, if you want to experience everything to be taught by the things you have experienced, I bet you will not live to experience all that you may need to learn from! God keeps talking about "seeing", if you do not have the ability to see, you surely will keep having problems in life.

The Bible is a book that contains revelations for all aspects of life. If you read it meditatively, you will not fail to receive revelations that will pattern your life for success. Incidentally, many who read it do not fully give themselves to it and as such, they do not receive the revelations embedded/hidden therein. May God help you!

BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR LIFE

Many young people who are inexperienced in life have failed and messed up their destinies because of how they handled life.

In the course of my numerous counseling and discussion sessions with young people, I have come across those with diverse cases and issues bordering their lives. One of such cases was a young man who was constantly being harassed and intimidated by the Managing Director of the company for which he worked. When he came to me, he said (paraphrase):

"I don't blame my boss; I blame myself. When my father years ago would send me to school,

I will refuse to go; he will send people to literally bundle me to school; I will still run out of school. Now, if I had a certificate with which to get a job, I would have resigned the job am doing for this company but as it is today, if I resign, what other job will I do? Who will employ me without a certificate?

This is one of the numerous cases of young people who are stranded/confused in life as a result of the decision they took ignorantly, not knowing what the future had in stock for them. The problem is that they did not see ahead of their present state/condition; they restricted themselves to their immediate conditions; they were carried away by youthful exuberance and therefore, advisers were looked down upon. They thought they will remain youthful all their days; but that is not true. They made mistakes because they had seen nothing at the time and when those who had seen, tried to advise them, they ridiculed them, only to get to where their predecessors had gotten and alas! Is this what they were telling me years ago? Reality just dawned on them. That's why they say that what the old man sees, sitting down, even when the young man stands, he won't still see it!

A young man who was being pushed to go to the higher institution and he was busy playing, got shocked when his younger brother who had gone to the higher institution returned from his one (1) year National Service (National Youth Service Corps - NYSC) and

began to look down on him. It was then he came to his senses; and knowing that the future was going to be tough, he advised himself and decided to go back to school before time would run out on him!

Now that you have the opportunity of becoming somebody in life, can you open your eyes and look? One Secondary School in Aba, Abia State, Nigeria; has its motto as: ***"CARVE YOUR FUTURE, NOW!"*** May God help you to see as you look; for this is your time to carve your future.

A lot of people pass through life not accomplishing anything meaningful, not making any impact in any field whatsoever and end their lives just like that! God wants me to show you that if you must make impact in life, you must sit down and by careful planning, arrange out your lifetime.

As long as a man has been born into the earth, one day, he will bow out; either by death or by the coming of Christ. If it is sure that we must leave the earth someday, we must do something; we must realize that there is an assignment ordained for us to fulfill; we must discover it, plan how to fulfill it and committedly work towards fulfilling it!

YOU MUST DEVELOP YOUR POTENTIALS

"Do not neglect the gift that is in you..." I Timothy 4:14

"Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you..." II Tim. 1:6

"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God which is in you..." II Tim 1:6 (NIV)

Develop: To develop is to: (cause to) grow larger, fuller or more mature.

It could also be taken to refer to something not at first active or visible being brought into a state in which it is active or visible. When something is developed, its value increases.

Potential: Potential could be taken to mean latent capacity. It means what somebody or something is capable of. It is your unused ability, unmanifested capability, dormant gift; it is what you can do that you haven't yet done... etc.

Neglect: Not to pay attention to somebody or something.

Gift: A gift could refer to something given or received by somebody. It could also refer to a natural ability or talent.

Stir: To stir is to cause somebody or something to move! It could mean: To arouse somebody or something.

To stir up the gift in you is to awaken every potential in your life.

- It is to bring what you can be into reality!
- It is to use what is inside you to make your life count!

- It is to put your talents and gifts to work!
- It is to unctionize your inmost capacities!
- It is to put the wheels of the vehicle of your life into action!
- It is to catalyse your dormant abilities!
- It is to put your whole being to work-by force!
- It is to wake up the sleeping giant inside you!
- It is to utilize everything utilizable in your life; for your good and that of others around you!

Understand This:

Paul began by enlightening Timothy; informing him, in case he was ignorant or unaware of the fact that there was a divine deposit "a gift" in his life. This is exactly what am doing here. In case you are unaware, let me stir you up by alerting you that there is a deposit of the supernatural in your life.

When God created you, he put that deposit in your life, in form of a "raw material". It could remain inside you till you die if you do not recognize and harness it. In fact, God put it there for you to benefit from it. It is your endowment. It is what will put you up in life. It is possible that you have discovered your gift but you have not yet given it attention – you are neglecting it! Whatever that your gift maybe; if you will pay/give it attention from today, you will discover that you will go to another level you never imagined in life.

Next; Paul urges Timothy to: stir up the gift! As you are reading this book right now, God is waiting for you to do something – stir up your own gift! It has been dormant for too long a time. Activate your gift /potential! Turn it up! There are people waiting for your manifestation. By your breaking out and manifesting, their own lives are turned around. May God help you!

EVERYBODY HAS ONE PROBLEM/ CHALLENGE OR THE OTHER

The gifts/talents/abilities inherent in your life are there to bring/produce solutions to life(s), problems. Let nobody deceive or confuse you into thinking that it is possible to live a life free from total crisis. Your life is not designed to be totally crisis free! You are to go through it and come out successful. Therefore, learn how to turn your abilities/potentials, using them to solve your problems.

BEGIN EARLY TO WORK ON BEING SELF RELIANT

You must begin early in life to plan and focus *on depending* on nobody but on yourself and putting your trust only in God. This will help you to remove the culture of begging and borrowing from your life.

There are several ways of making money but I want to mention one here now: Earning, harvesting or creating money! You must decide to use your gifts/talents to create or earn money. If you want to wait for someone

to employ you, it's okay but do something; begin early and God will help you.

TOWARDS MAINTAINING YOUR HEIGHT IN LIFE

"The heights reached and kept by great men were not attained by sudden flight but they, while their friends were sleeping, kept on toiling at night".

I do not quite know the originator of this quote but my Primary School teacher drummed this into my ears many years ago!

The Pastor of the world's largest church: Pst. David Yonggi Cho is quoted as saying: "in the night, I plan the work, and in the day, I work the plan!", as an answer to one of the questions posed to him.

The implication of the quote above is that inherent in the development, management and operationality of any gifts in a man's life is his ability to order his life and put everything to work!

The night is a time for sleep but that does not imply that you should sleep away all the night! Wake up, be alert, and plan your life! Use your nights very well, God will never add an additional hour to anybody's time; use the time he has given you effectively and you will surely make it in life.

I want you therefore to know that the impact you will make in life, will be a function of your *vision, goals, and planning.*

VISION:

"Where there is no vision, the people perish" Prov. 29: 18

The word 'Vision' in the verse above could among its numerous meanings and translations be taken to mean "Prophetic revelation". Where there is no prophetic revelation, the people perish! How? There is no direction; the people are in darkness; the people are unaware of where they are heading to, their destination is unclear to them and thus, such people act anyhow! – They dwell carelessly as one translation puts it!

YOU NEED CLEAR VISION

The God we serve is not an author of confusion; he makes himself clear in all matters. He does not operate in vagueness. Whatsoever he tells you to do, he makes it clear, so that you will not operate in confusion; he also expects you to do whatsoever you want to do, clearly without ambiguity.

For you to make impact in life, you must be able to clearly state/define what you want to do on paper; that's why Habakkuk was asked to *"write the vision..."* when you are unable to clearly state what you want to do, you must go back to your drawing board and have it done or else no other person will understand it if you try to explain!

QUALITIES OF A VISION

1. Visions will surely be tested:

Problems/crisis will arise to test every genuine vision. The presence of God in your vi-

sion does not stop crisis. Jesus was in the ship with his disciples yet the storms came. Expect tests for they will surely come!

2. Visions are incubated:

You must be involved in fasting, praying and meditation to incubate your vision so that when it matures, it will speak!

GOALS

Goals are those ingredients/objectives that help us fulfill vision. You could go into goal setting – yearly goals, biennial goals, or long-term goals of up to five (5) years and above.

DEFINE YOUR GOALS

Goals that make lasting impact are long-term goals; therefore you must go into long term goal setting by faith! *We are only going to take control of our lives and destiny by discovering what God wants us to be and what he would want us to do, to become what he wants us to be.*

SET YOUR GOALS ON A SCALE: PRIORITISE THEM

Do this by setting your goals in their order of importance. You will discover that some issues need immediate attention, others will be deferred into the future; by implication, you will have your goals broken into long-term and short-term goals in order to gradually accomplish them.

PLANNING

"For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it" ***Luke 14: 28***

What is a plan? A plan could be defined as an arrangement for doing or using something, considered in advance.

STEPS TO A PLAN

For your plan to be an effective one, you must answer the following five (5) questions:

1. *What are we going to do?* (Definition of your Goals).
2. *How are we going to do it?* (Definition of your action Steps).
3. *When are we going to do it?* (Scheduling the time frame for every action step).
4. *With whom are we going to do it?* (Personnel requirement)
5. *What is it going to cost?* (Budget – financial costs) Once you are able to answer the above questions accordingly, then you are sure that you have an effective plan. When you take action on your plans, rest assured that you must make impact in your lifetime that is God's will for you.

WHAT SEEING ENTAILS

Seeing here entails having a foresight, being ahead of others; being in the know of what others are not yet seeing. You must see ahead of others, you must see into the future - your future and that of other people. This is what will give you the correct footing /direction on:

- Who to associate with (Friendship) And:
- How to treat other people (Relationship) Etc.

You must see into people, their potentialities and tendencies for: success or failure. You must be able to see when a door is open and when it has actually closed. You must see when there is a change in the times and seasons of life and understand complexities. You must see when you are dealing with genuine people and when they are dupes! This is the reason: When Nebuchadnezzar wanted young men who would serve in his palace, he asked for:

"Young men in whom there was no blemish, but good looking, gifted in all wisdom, possessing knowledge and quick to understand, who had ability to serve..." Daniel 1:4

Look at the qualifications, can you beat that?

- No blemish
- Good looking
- Gifted in all wisdom
- Possessing knowledge
- Quick to understand
- Ability to serve

What more? To excel above your contemporaries, you need the above qualifications. When you have these qualities loaded inside of you, you become a material highly sought after! No matter where you are, people will look for and consult you! When you do not have qualities/talents/gifts that will make people look for you, you become useless!

DIFFERENT VESSELS, DIFFERENT USES

"But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honour and some for dishonour. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honour, sanctified and useful for the master; prepared for every good work. Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will" II Tim 2: 20-26

The choice of what kind of vessel you will be is in your hands: either a vessel of honour or one of dishonour. When you are for honour, you are prepared for every good work; and if for dishonour, nobody uses you. You must be able to see beyond the point your contemporaries are seeing!

The scripture says for you to: FLEE youthful lust! Don't waste your youth, that's the opportunity you have to serve God and make impact in life and in the kingdom. Don't let the devil use your peers to deceive you and

don't be wiser than God. When he says flee, simply flee! That is why he says for you to:

"Remember now your creator in the days of your youth, before the difficult days come..." Eccl. 12:1

Another translation calls it evil days! Understand it: Whether or not you like it, difficult days or evil days must come! Now that they have not yet come, why don't you use your whole strength to be useful to God? Do you want to kill yourself?

He says for you to flee youthful lusts and to PURSUE righteousness i.e. strive to live in righteousness! He says that truly, some people need correction - those in opposition of this way - undisciplined and disorganized ones; he says for you to correct them in humility - something else have taken them over that is why they behave "abnormally" they have lost their senses. By this correction, God will grant them to come to their senses and change their pattern of life; and become useful - vessels of honour.

What do you say? When in our higher institutions of learning young people (boys & girls) who are sent to school to study begin to go into ungodly relationships leading them into immorality, cultism and numerous other vices.
Many of them need to come back to their senses. The god of this world (The Devil) has blinded their eyes and made them to live in disobedience.

Many of this people go into this form of life by reason of influence - influence of peers and demonic powers from which they cannot release themselves. Their eyes have been blinded - They cannot see beyond where they are; they forget their future while living in these youthful lusts. That is what happened to the prodigal son:

THE PRODIGAL SON

"Then he said: "A certain man had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me... And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, Journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal living". But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want..."But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare... I will arise and go to my father... And he arose and came to his father..." Luke 15:11-20

The prodigal son did not see his future; he was interested in his present. After he had wasted all and began to be in want and could no longer feign for himself, he began to think - he came to himself! Many young people never really think until they find themselves in trouble! Then they begin to look for one uncle, Aunty, brother, sister etc. to come to deliver them. These people need God's help. They need to be delivered so that they will be able to see!

What you do not conceive, what you don't see, even with the eyes of the spirit, you cannot possess. May God open your eyes to see, to see far, and to see great things; for your destiny in life depends on how far you can see.

Read this message it is adapted from a tract of: ***Grace & Truth****. 210 Chestnut Street, Danville IL 61832 Tract. It deals with the effects of Drugs on young people:*

THEY GAMBLED AND LOST! WILL YOU?

LOSERS

"Sue was a young girl who wanted to try Pot "just once". This is her second time in jail for drugs. Her future looks grim. She's addicted!

Dick went from Beer to Marijuana to Cocaine.

When leaving jail the last time, he told the Chaplain, "I'm off drugs for good!" Three months later, he overdosed and never recovered.

Ted was an excellent college student who thought he could control his use of heavy drugs. He murdered someone while under that influence. He can't remember doing it!

Hazel was a 19 year old who tried to solve her problems with drugs. But addiction became her biggest problem. She died of an overdose.

Joe ran with the "in" crowd in high school. They started mixing drugs with alcohol on weekends. He's now doing 15 years for dealing drugs.

These cases come from a New York suburb's Police files. Are they unusual? Hardly. The question is: Why do people gamble with drugs when the risks are so great? Some of the confusing and contradictory answers are: "to turn on", "to turn off", "to find myself" and "to escape". The methods used to get high invariably lead to disappointing lows – sometimes even death!

WINNERS

After two years of being a slave to heroine, Phil was ready to commit suicide. But God told him his misery was a result of his own sin. He confessed his sin to Jesus, experienced forgiveness and discovered that God really loved him. God's power helped him break his habit and find peace.

Ben's $100 a day habit was killing him. After trying several rehabilitation programs he found deliverance in the power of Jesus Christ who helps all who come to him.

Stuart says this about his Christian teen group: "We are from all walks of life. Some took drugs. Some were gang members. Some have been in jail. We all met Jesus and he changed our lives."

YOU MUST TRY TO SEE OPPORTUNITIES IN EVERYTHING

You must see when there is a change in the times and seasons; both physically and spiritually. You must see when the demand trend of the people has changed, both in ministry and business.

This issue of seeing/sight has to do with being able to know/see opportunities when others have not yet seen it; seeing how to turn impossibilities into possibilities; seeing solutions where other people are seeing problems; strategizing effectively and seeing beyond where you are!

CONSIDER DAVID AS A YOUTH

"And David left his supplies in the hand of the Supply keeper, ran to the army, and came and greeted his brothers. Then as he talked with them, there was the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, coming up from the armies of the Philistines; and he spoke according to the same words. So David heard them. And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him and were dreadfully afraid ... then David spoke to the men who stood by him, saying, "what shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God? ... Then David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine "And Saul said to David, "you are not able to go against this philistine to fight with him; for you are a youth, and he a man of war from his youth"... Then David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone; and he slung it and struck the Philistine in his forehead, so that the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the earth" I Sam. 17:22-49

While the Israelites were seeing a giant, David though a youth, was seeing an opportunity of becoming a hero! A giant killer! Thus, he asked: What will be done for the person who kills this philistine? Stop looking at the problem surrounding you, your family, your community, state, nation or continent.

You may be the one God has destined to use to bring a solution. Act like David; don't consider the problem, consider the solution, the outcome, what will be done for the man through whom victory is obtained? Goliath began to be a warrior from his youth; it had to take a new intake into battle strategies (A champion youth), to knock out an old champion! God is waiting for you to take action over that situation facing you right now. May God help you!

STOP LOOKING CARELESSLY, BE FOCUSED

If you will stop looking around carelessly, you will see the solution you have been looking for. God said I should tell you to look well; discover problems, see areas of problems and stress in the lives of people, in companies, in organizations, in establishments, in institutions, in government etc.

Decide to be relevant by finding the solution to these problems, write out the solutions in form of proposals etc; document them and package them properly and intelligently then send these packages to the proper persons/officers in those establish-

ments "prayerfully" as issues and recommendations; you will be surprised what a bright future will open up for you. As you read further, may God open your eyes!

WHAT DO YOU SEE?

"Moreover, the word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Jeremiah, what do you see?" And I said, "I see a branch of an almond tree." Then the Lord said to me, "You have seen well", for I am ready to perform my word" Jer. 1:11-12

From time to time; God keeps sending revelations. He (God) is actually in this business - It is his work - that is why he said:

"Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint..." Prov. 29:18

Another translation puts it this way:

"Where there is no vision, the people perish..." Prov. 29:18

One of the greatest evils that will happen to a man is for a man who had vision, revelation or sight to suddenly lose it. It means there is no longer revelation - tragedy is about to strike! When Samson lost his sight/revelation of what to do, he was turned from a strongman - deliverer to a grinder at the mill! May that not be your portion! ***You must bear in mind that it is the earnest, conscious and focused pursuit of your vision against all odds that marks you out as a strongman. If you let loose of that vision, you become like every other man – ordinary!***

Look at what happened to the children of Israel in the wilderness: While Moses was away for about 40 days with God and the people no longer saw him; they lost the revelation of God, they lost direction; they didn't know what to do again; they derailed, made a golden calf and declared it their god!

"And Moses said to Aaron, "what did this people do to you that you have brought so great a sin upon them?" So Aaron said "... you know the people, that they are set on evil, for they said to me, make us gods that shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him" ... Now when Moses saw that the people were unrestrained for Aaron had not restrained them, to their shame among their enemies. Then Moses stood ..." Exodus 32:21-26

When they lost the revelation of God, they lost focus. Having no more direction they began to act anyhow. If you see any man who is acting/behaving anyhow, he has no vision for his life. Avoid him.

The numerous revelations/visions God sends across to his people may come in ways that we may not always have the interpretations immediately. Whether as regards someone else, your church, your business, or what next to do in life or with life; when God sends these revelations and you don't understand them, go back to him to get clear details so

that you will be able to execute what he has shown you accordingly; for he said to Moses:

"... See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain" Heb. 8: 5

Since he is the one showing you the revelation/vision; he is also interested in the execution of the vision. He wants you to do it according to how he showed it to you! If you fail, you may pay with your life. That is why Moses died without entering the Promised Land! He was shown the way - speak to the rock! But, he hit the rock twice! He got an answer but he paid with his life! May you not pay with your life!

God asked Jeremiah: What do you see? Jeremiah gave him an answer to which he gave an interpretation: He said: "You saw well". What you saw indicates that I am ready to perform my word!

Hear the word of God: What you are seeing now is an indication that God is about to perform! He is about to bring what he has said about you to come to pass! It doesn't matter the circumstances surrounding you right now; they may look very tough, bleak and dangerous but - God is READY to perform his word in your life! What do you see? - It is a good sight!

YOUR FUTURE IS FREE FROM FIRE!

"Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not

burn"... And the Lord said" I have surely seen the oppression of my people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their task masters, for I know their sorrows." So, I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites... come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel out of Egypt" Ex. 3:3-10

While Moses was seeing a burning bush, God was seeing deliverance for his people! He did not understand the revelation but God knew what he was doing! By burning/setting the bush on fire yet not consuming the bush, God was saying to Moses; I am sending you to an impossible assignment in your own thinking - but as you see the bush burning yet the grasses/bush are not being consumed, over there in Egypt, am going to do something amazing!

My people, though they are going through fire now, none of them will be destroyed by the fire! They are going to come out clean! No matter how much fire Pharaoh may raise, my people will come out unhurt!

Am going to skillfully like a master craftsman, bring them out perfectly and deliver them into a land where they will remember their sufferings no more - a land flowing with milk and honey! Hear the word of God: Whatever you are seeing today, even if it be

fire, it is an indication that God is about to perform his word in your life! It is an indication that you are about to go into your promised land!

THE EXTENT YOU SEE, I GIVE YOU

Many people do not consider the future; they consider today - now. This is the reason they eat today and suffer tomorrow! God is interested in your ability to see far - to see beyond where you are. That is why he said to Abraham:

"... Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are - northward, southward, eastward and westward; "for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever" Gen. 13: 14-15

God was saying to Abraham: Why bother with Lot - Look around, see beyond where you are - all you are able to see - East, West, North and South - they are for you and your descendants forever. God does not want us to die looking for and seeing only temporal things around us - he wants to give us "forever" gifts - "eternal" gifts - that is why he says:

"... For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal" 2 Cor.4:18

God wants us to look beyond the present and begin to see into the future. See better days ahead of you, see better relationships, see better connections, see better/greater open doors and greater businesses. Stop seeing vi-

sions of death, see life, for: as far as you can see, the God of Heaven will deliver to you!

IN YOUR RELATIONSHIPS

It has been rightly said by the wise, that you remain the same person you are today in the next 5-10 years except for two (2) things: The people you associate with and the books you read.

WHO DO YOU ASSOCIATE WITH?

Hear this: If you truly want a positive change in life, you must carefully sit down and examine "all" the people you associate with - "see" them with an eye for the future. Ask yourself this question: If I continue in my association with this young man or lady, in the next 5 years, what would this relationship produce?

I want to make this submission here: If you have friends and all these your friends are incapable of solving or proffering solutions to problems in your life; then you have no friends!

If you are trapped in a financial problem and none of your friends can come to your aid either by settling/solving your financial problem, paying your debt, recommending you to a person, persons, or a group that can help you out, then, it may be-you have no friends!

Look into your future, what kind of future do you want for yourself? Consider this clearly and make adjustments today!

READ GOOD BOOKS

Are you a reader? Consider the kind of books you read. By reading, you search out hidden

issues that are embedded in books.

> ***"... Who is worthy to open the book and to loose the seals thereof?" Rev. 5: 2 (KJV)***

Every good book has a secret issue hidden within its pages and contents. Until the seals are broken, you will never be able to read, understand and appreciate the reason for the book.

Search out good books and begin to read them. Do you desire to become an investor in the future? A good investor? Then, search out books on investment and read! Do you want to be a success in business or ministry? Search out good books; written by people who have succeeded in those areas and begin to read; before you know it, transformations will begin to take place in your life! Open your eyes wide and look and you will see that which will move you to the next level!

CHAPTER TWO

YOU NEED EXPERIENCE: YOU OUGHT TO BE TRAINED UNDER SOMEONE WHERE YOU WILL BE EXPOSED TO THE REALITIES OF LIFE: APPRENTICESHIP AND MENTORSHIP

If you find a young/fresh graduate anywhere seeking a job, mark what I say here; he is the most "unqualified" person to be an overall manager in any establishment!

Reason: He does not yet have the pre-requisite experience that will enable him execute his job. Same is applicable to a fresh Bible College graduate. He should be made to minister as an assistant to another.

All through the scriptures, examples abound from the old to the New Testament, of people of substance who were able to fulfill their assignments and destinies in life, having gained necessary life experience under another. Let us examine a few examples from scripture to show that you need to undergo training to earn experience.

1. JOSHUA

"After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' minister" Joshua 1:1 (Amp)

For Joshua to successfully lead the people of God, he needed experience. He acquired the experience while ministering to Moses. He saw how Moses carried the children of Israel. Having learnt, he didn't make the mistake of his boss who finally did not enter the Promised Land!

2. SAMUEL

"Now the boy Samuel ministered to the Lord before Eli" 1 Sam. 3:1

For Samuel to be a successful prophet, he had to learn under Eli who was a senior prophet!

3. ELISHA

"So Elisha turned back from him, and took a yoke of Oxen and slaughtered them and boiled their flesh, using the Oxen's equipment, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant" 1 Kings 19:21

Elisha understudied Elijah and understood him and his mode of operation. Before Elijah's exit, he got a double portion of his spirit!

4. THE DISCIPLES:

"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus" Acts 4: 13

Experience gives boldness! Having understudied Christ, the disciples knew his mode of operation. When he left, they stepped out in boldness, occupying for him and the peo-

ple marveled at them and understood that though they were uneducated, but something made the difference – their stay with Christ. The person you understudy could influence you positively or negatively. May God help you!

5. PAUL

"I am indeed a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, taught according to the strictness of our father's law..." Acts 22:3

In order to be properly trained Paul had to study under Gamaliel.

WHO IS THIS GAMALIEL?

"Then the high Priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison" Acts 5:17-18

"When they heard this, they were furious and plotted to kill them. Then one in the council stood up, a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in respect by all the people, and commanded them to put the apostles outside for a little while. And he said to them: "Men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what you intend to do regarding these men... "And they agreed with him..." Acts 5:33- 40

Gamaliel was a Pharisee, a teacher of the law, respected by all the people. This is the profile of Paul's mentor! Having studied under this kind of man, Paul came out fully loaded to perform and was actually performing till

God stopped him and re-directed him on a new assignment. You must study under this kind of man so that your own profile will be respected.

Mark this: Even the institution where upon you receive your certificates matter. Don't just enter any place you see. Study under respected people and institutions so that you too will be respected! Learn under trustworthy advisers for:

"... In the multitude of counselors, there is safety" Prov. 11:14

USING THE WISDOM HE GATHERED UNDER GAMALIEL, PAUL EXPLOITED LAPSES IN THE PLAN OF THE ENEMIES TO NAIL HIM AND ESCAPED! IF YOU WILL LOOK WELL, YOU WILL ALSO DO SAME

"But when Paul perceived that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council: Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee, concerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!" And when he said this, a dissension arose between the Pharisees and the Sadducees, and the assembly was divided. For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection – and no angel or spirit, but the Pharisees confess both. Then there arose a loud outcry. And the scribes of the Pharisees' party arose and protested, saying, "we find no evil in this man;

but if a spirit or an angel has spoken to him, let us not fight against God" Acts 23:6-9

Understand this: Paul had been thoroughly trained. Sitting amidst the council, he easily saw/dictated lapses which he capitalized upon. Had he not been trained, he wouldn't have known what to do. His training made him versatile as such; he couldn't be tossed around confused. **He perceived:** To perceive is to become aware of something especially through the eyes of the mind. What he saw through the eyes of his mind, he capitalized upon and thus, he inflicted a blow of confusion on the council. May God open your eyes to see constantly, through the eyes of your mind!

5. APOLLOS

"Now a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man and mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus. This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things of the Lord, though he knew only the baptism of John. So he began to speak boldly in the Synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately" Acts 18:24-26

You may have some knowledge with which you have been operating your life and vision but you need "accurate" explanation/teaching. Don't feel too big, humble yourself and learn. Don't ever think or behave as if you know it all: If you will accurately learn today,

you will make a perfect master tomorrow! As Aquila and Priscilla explained to him the way more accurately, he subjected himself to learn and he learnt.

CHAPTER THREE

THE NEED FOR PROPER DOCUMENTATION (WRITE IN A BOOK)

Any vision you see or you have, any project or business arrangement you want to venture into, which cannot be genuinely articulated on paper, may not be easily and successfully executed!

Architects and builders all draw plans; they build dummy's so as to have a miniature of what they want to execute! You must write down that vision, you must document it; if not, you may encounter problems you neither envisaged nor bargained for in the future. God himself, when he was about to redeliver the ten (10) commandments of what he wanted the children of Israel to live in its light, acted in this order:

"... The Lord said to Moses," cut two tablets of stone... And I will write on these tablets..." Exodus 34:1

GOD BELIEVES IN WRITING

Are you an intending preacher or are you one already? Don't let your messages die in the air, write them down in books. If God believes in writing, you his servant must also believe. Your books will go to places you may never go and bless people you may never know. Even when you have "expired" or "left

the world", your works/books will continue to speak and bless lives!

All through the scriptures, God keeps instructing or revealing the issues that have to do with writing. Without what is written, oral history will be truncated and in fact extinct from today's generation. Without what is written, confusion and trouble will besiege people as though there were no solutions. Take a look at this issue from the book of Genesis:

"So the field of Ephron which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field and the cave which was in it, and all the trees that were in the field, which were within all the surrounding borders, were deeded to Abraham as a possession in the presence of the sons of Heth, before all who went in at the gate of his city" Gen 22:17-19

WHATEVER GOD REVEALS TO YOU IS MEANT TO BE WRITTEN DOWN EXCEPT HE INSTRUCTS OTHERWISE

"And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not" Rev. 10:4

"... 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" Habakkuk 2:2-3

Understand the scriptures above: Except you are Instructed like John not to write what is revealed to you; you must then do like Habakkuk. This is God's instruction to Habakkuk - write the vision!

- ✓ Visions are meant to be written down.
- ✓ Visions are meant to be written down clearly.
- ✓ Visions are meant to be run with.
- ✓ Visions are meant for specific people, not for everybody.
- ✓ Visions are not all for immediate fulfillment; some are for the future.
- ✓ Visions may be delayed from fulfillment.
- ✓ Visions no matter how long they tarry will still speak i.e. they will surely be fulfilled.

Many people receive visions from God but when these visions do not get fulfilled immediately, they get angry. You must understand the seven points about visions as outlined above – not all visions are for immediate fulfillment!

When the appointed time for the fulfillment of your vision has not come, you are expected to be patient: God says: you should wait for it. Look well and see into your future and begin to see that vision of yours being fulfilled in the spirit and surely, that vision will physically be fulfilled.

God instructed **John the Apostle** to write the revelation given to him in a book. In the same manner, be careful and observant to document all you are asked to write.

WHY WRITE THE VISION?

Most times, writing makes for clarity. What you write becomes clearer to you the writer first before the reader or the one to whom the issue is communicated. Even an ordinary errand when written down is very clear to the errand person! Your vision must be written so that he that reads what is written will run! Usually one thing out of two will happen when your vision is read - *The reader will either run with you or run away from you!*

RUN THE VISION IN OBEDIENCE

"... Then Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself... At mid day, O king, I saw in the way a light from Heaven, above the brightness of the Sun...And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me... But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee... To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are

sanctified by faith that is in me. Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision" Acts 26:1-19

You can see how Paul ran the vision. He followed obediently according to the dictates of he who gave the vision (God). May God help you to understand and run the vision obediently!

You are the one to explain your vision; no other person can explain it as it is in your heart. You received it; you should be able to communicate it right! When you have written it down for people to read, what you have written will attract people.

The people your vision will attract all do not come for the same purpose. They come for different purposes. Don't be afraid of their different purposes, for you need people in order to be able to fulfill a vision. As these people read your vision, some will see it as having a future for them; they are the people who will follow the vision excitedly. Others will see it as a waste of time and other resources for one stupid fellow who actually is looking for people he will use up for his personal goals and interests! These people clearly classified will fall under:

1.) ***Vision Helpers/Makers and***
2.) ***Vision killers***

(1) VISION HELPERS/MAKERS:

You must pray for this class of people to identify with your vision.

"Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: see, I have called by name Bazalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur... And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, to design artistic works, to work in gold, in Silver, in bronze, in cutting Jewels for setting, in carving wood, and to work in all manner of workmanship. And I, indeed I, have appointed with him Aholiab son of Ahisamach of the tribe of Dan; and I have put wisdom in the heart of all the gifted artisans, that they may make all that I have commanded you: the tabernacle of meeting, the ark of the testimony and the mercy seat that is on it, and all the furniture of the tabernacle - the table and its utensils, the pure gold lampstand... the altar of incense, the altar of burnt offering..., and the laver and its base - the garments of ministry, the holy garments for Aaron the priest and the garment of his sons, to minister as priests, and the anointing oil and sweet incense for the holy place. According to all that I have commanded you they shall do" Ex. 31:1-11

When God gave Moses the vision and commanded him on all the things he will do, God didn't stop there; He went a step further and selected people whom he put his spirit inside them, giving wisdom and skill to go, work with Moses and get all the instructions executed. May God grant you helpers with his spirit who will help you to execute all revealed to you in your vision.

Another example to show that you need helpers in order to properly execute your vision in scripture is the operation of Aaron and Hur, helping Moses at the Israelites battle with Amalek:

"And so it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hand became heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it, and Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. So Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword" Exodus 17:11-13

You need these kinds of vision helpers in life else your hands may grow weary and the vision you have written will die!

(2) VISION KILLERS

You need this category of people out of your life! If they step into what you want to do, count your vision finished off, except a miracle happens! Let me illustrate with two examples:

1. THE CASE OF JOSEPH & HIS BROTHERS

Joseph had shared his vision with his brothers who were not interested in building but in quenching it; thus, when they got the opportunity, they acted:

"Then they said to one another, Look, this dreamer is coming! Come therefore, let us now

kill him and cast him into some pit; and we shall say, some wild beast has devoured him. We shall see what will become of his dreams!" Genesis 37:19-20

2. KORAH & OTHER REBELS AGAINST MOSES

"Now Korah... with Dathan and Abiram... and On the son of Peleth... took men... they gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, "you take too much upon yourselves. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the Lord? And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, but they said, "We will not come up..." Numbers 16:1-12

These people are vision killers. You can see what they did. Rather than encourage and move the assignment of Moses forward, they moved for its frustration! Watch out for these kinds of people, keep them off your vision!

YOU MUST LOOK INTO THE BOOK BEFORE YOU GIVE YOUR CONSENT

Before you give your consent in joining any organization; get their written book - constitution, byelaw etc. Read it very well; understand their direction: If it is the same direction for which you are headed, you go with them so that you will not end up in regrets. Any job or involvement for which you are not given "written" terms and conditions, stipulating mode of operation, your gains and losses from the job or other requirements to

which you should agree or disagree etc., stay away from it in order to avoid future crisis!

Are you looking for a job? Understand the corporate objectives of the organization you want to enter their employ; get to know their conditions of service, if you know sincerely that you will be unable to adapt or cope, it is better for you not to join them rather than getting to join and in a matter of months, you are quarrelling with the management.

Don't just make decisions based only on your present condition! Look at your tomorrow - your future. Are you planning to get married? Get to understand the vision of your would be spouse. If he or she has no visions; be careful not to just go into that marriage relationship or else, you may end up in regrets. Move with people who have their vision articulated and you will never regret it.

Are you planning to go into business partnership with somebody, make sure all aspects of the business agreements are documented! Make whatever you are doing provable; document all. This is very necessary because what is written down cannot just be denied - it is the evidence you have.

For those, who are fond of signing documents without really understanding what they are signing; don't let anybody deceive you. Whatever you do not understand, ask questions so that you do not involve yourself into what you may not come out from. May God help you!

CHAPTER FOUR

YOUR LIFE'S VISION IS NOT FOR EVERYBODY – YOUR OPERATIONS MUST BE SPECIFIC AND TARGETED - SEND IT TO...

Having known that your vision has the capability of attracting both killers and helpers alike, who do you think is relevant to your vision? I can guess your answer - the helper! Read well for clear understanding here.

The issue of who to send your written vision to calls for seriousness. All that glitters they say are not gold! All the people who appear as if they want to help you may not be real helpers after all! The truth is that you have a real/genuine helper appointed from God for you and you must endeavour to identify that helper to be able to rise to fulfill your destiny in life.

Time spent locating direction says a wise man, is not wasted. Don't count that you have spent a lot of time lest you make another mistake. Wait a little longer and carefully identify who you attach your life's vision to else you become a failure in life.

Let me remind you that every vision has a people for whom it is given or intended. *Everybody cannot be part of your vision but somebody must follow that vision except it is*

not from God! With this in mind, you must therefore clearly identify who/what class of people God intends to be part of your vision. They are the people you will send your vision to, associate with and relate with. If you clearly identify the class/group of people unto whom you are to send your vision, you will live a successful stress free life on earth.

CONSIDER JEHOSHAPHAT

"After this Jehoshaphat king of Judah allied himself with king Ahaziah king of Israel, who acted very wickedly. And he allied himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish, and they made the ships in Ezion Geber. But Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying,"Because you have allied yourself with Ahaziah, the Lord has destroyed your works. Then the ships were wrecked, so that they were not able to go to Tarshish"." II Chron. 20:35-37

Understand the scripture above. Before this time, Jehoshaphat had done good works; God had fought and won battles for him, giving him rest like his father. But, he made a mistake! He allied with a man who was very wicked in his acts! For this alliance, God destroyed his works – The ships they jointly built, were wrecked!

You may not be the problem, but you must be careful who you form an alliance with! That person may be the problem. Once that person is rejected, you may also end up being rejected! That's what happened here. The works of Jehoshaphat were destroyed by God

himself because of his wrong alliance. May the Lord deliver you!

EVERYBODY CANNOT BE PART OF YOUR VISION

Some people make the mistake of thinking that when they start on a vision, their blood relatives, siblings, kits and kin will naturally join to carry on with the vision. This is far from the truth! In fact, they may even be the ones who could kill the vision! In the words of Jesus, he said:

"Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword" For I have come to set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, and a man's enemies will be those of his own household" ***Matt. 10:34-36***

On another note, when those close to you, your neighbours etc. do not associate with your vision, it may not necessarily mean that you are hated but it could imply that your vision is not ordained for them!

You need wisdom here so that you don't get trapped into bearing grudges against people who God has in his mercy removed for you; to save you future unknown troubles like the one Joseph's brothers constituted.

VISIONS ARE MEANT TO BE CELEBRATED

It is said of the Agama lizard that it fell

from a tall tree. When it landed, it looked around and said: *"If no one praises me, I will praise myself!"* The vision God has given you is meant to be celebrated and not to be humiliated! You should not run your vision as if you are begging people to be part of it. As you progress on your pursuit, people who didn't initially believe will come & join you! Celebrate yourself after all, it is not easy to start and have a vision sustained for years!

A wise man said: *The best/fastest way to failure is trying to please everybody!* You cannot please everybody. You must have fans/admirers and other people who detest you! Since it is impossible to please everybody, you should bear in mind that your vision is not for everybody as everybody **cannot** be part of it. Never expect everybody to be part of it.

ARE YOU SEARCHING FOR A JOB?

A lot of school leavers just do their '**resumes**' and begin to look/search for vacancies. Anywhere they find one, they "dump" the 'resume'! You cannot afford to continue, "dumping" resumes! If you keep doing it that way, you may never get to have your expected Job! Your particular resume is not for every establishment! You must endeavour to see what that establishment is looking for then tailor your 'resume' to fit into what they are looking for.

Understand this: as you search and look for job, look well. When you find an organization you think will need your services, get back

and write in a book – 'resume', the requirements you possess that will help you clinch the job then, send it to the organization.

ARE YOU A BUSINESS CONSULTANT?

You must understudy the nature of problems any of the organizations you know/work for duly undergo. See opportunities in their problems. Get to doing your proposal, properly prepared, with your business materials and every other necessary requirement and send it to the establishment who most likely will invite you for discussion and you will be surprise how God could give you open doors for success through this.

DON'T BE A SPECTATOR IN THE GAME OF LIFE

You must endeavour to be a participant. In every event/activity/programme, search out what you could do so as to earn your own money genuinely, and not to watch others perform – perform your own! May God help you!

ARE YOU AN AUTHOR?

You must learn to write for a target audience. If you approach writing haphazardly, you will not benefit the people much. Get to know who you are sending what you are writing to and you will do well.

May God help you to understand what to do in any area of your own involvement and endeavour in the name of Jesus Christ.

CONCLUSION

WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR AFAR OFF, MAY WELL BE BEHIND YOU, LOOK WELL

"Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a ticket by its horn. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son" Genesis 22:13

Abraham needed to comply with God's instruction of doing the sacrifice. The sacrifice God required from Abraham was not a ram but his son Isaac; not even Ishmael! Actually, the usual/normal offering is supposed to be a ram but that wasn't Abraham's case. While Abraham was going to that mountain for the sacrifice, Isaac asked him a question:

"But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "my father!" and he said, "here I am, my son" then he said, "look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? "and Abraham said "My son, God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering..." Genesis 22:7-8

Let me just take it this way: Whatever Abraham meant when he gave Isaac that answer, himself and God knew. On its face value, without going into its spiritual meaning(s) and or implication(s), let us just say that Abraham hoped for God's intervention and providence. Though he was actually looking

forward to God's intervention, he didn't really know what God was going to do or how God was going to do it. God showed up and surprised him!

As I conclude on this work, I want to prophesy to somebody reading this book right now: Your vision will not be truncated; it will not die unfulfilled; God will show up in your life; you will surely fulfill destiny, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Mark that it was not God who told Abraham to look back. God only said:

"I now know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me" Gen. 22:12

After this, Abraham then looked behind him and saw the ram caught in a thicket by its horns, which he now used for the sacrifice. Don't bother much about what you are going through now, open your eyes, look well and the God of heaven will cause you to see what you have been looking for.

Don't think that it is abroad; it could just be behind you. You will not miss it again - take action from today; for as far as you can see, God will give to you!

MOMENT OF RECONCILIATION

If you are not at peace with God, you will live in pieces all your days. It is not religion; it is not going to Church, it is reconciliation – to be at peace with God.

"Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God" II Cor. 5: 20

If you are not born again, now, with this book still in your hands is the time to reconcile with God. What do you need to do?

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name" John 20:31

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" Rom. 10:9-10

1. You need to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the son of God.
2. Accept the death he died on the cross as a payment for your sins.
3. Confess with your mouth that God raised Jesus from the dead.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light comes into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil" John 3: 16-19

Christ did not come to condemn but to give life! During his earthly ministry, he forgave many of their sins, and until now, he still forgives sins, but are you ready to choose light? This light is in Christ! Both heaven and hell fire are for real, the way you choose to follow will determine where you will ultimately end. Apostle Paul in his writing says:

"Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men..."
I Cor. 5: 11, Again,

"It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" Hebrews 10: 31 - And again,

"... our God is a consuming fire" Hebrews 12:29

With this book still in your hands, decide to receive Jesus Christ and to serve God henceforth, in spirit and truth. That's the way out.

Therefore, resign today and re-align with God, for decision determines destiny!

PRAY THIS PRAYER

Father, thank you for sending your son who came and paid the price of my sin on the cross of Calvary. I come to you today in repentance. Receive and cleanse me. I accept Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. Thank you, Lord for saving me in the name of Jesus Christ.