

# VISION

## Vision - Week 5

### Message Discussion Questions

#### Introduction:

This week Matt concludes a new series called 'Vision'. Do you have a game plan for your life, or are you like many people who have no vision, no mission, no agenda, no purpose? Do you remember the quote from past weeks: "Everyone ends up somewhere...but few people end up somewhere on purpose"? Do you know what God's purpose is for your life, God's plan, God's Will, or God's Vision? Do you know how to find it?

Over the past few weeks we have been looking at Vision from God's perspective and the four phases of finding God's Vision that we find in scripture. This week for Part 5 we'll look at the fourth phase, Purposeful Clarity. This is what happens when it all comes together and you know that you know what God has for your life.

#### Questions:

1. What does Purposeful Clarity look like? How is this the reward for making it through the first three phases to find God's Will, His plan for your life? What could it mean for you to live in clarity when it comes to God's Will? Acts 20:22-24
2. Do you agree that the average Christian thinks that living in God's Will means happiness, blessings and prosperity with no problems, hardships, sickness or pain? What if that's not the reality of God's plan for your life?
3. If your life will include troubles, how can you live in constant Joy? Do you find it difficult to 'rejoice

always'? Do you feel like if you could just take your problems away then you could rejoice? Do you confuse happiness with joy? If happiness is based on the external, what does it mean that joy is internal? Where does joy come from? Philippians 4:4

4. What is your perspective on life? How do you look at the things (your family, your job, your friends, your problems) in your life? Why is perspective the key to joy? Would you agree that your perspective makes all the difference in the world? Can your perspective help you to rejoice regardless of your circumstances?
5. How much do you value Peace? Can you have Peace even when you face challenges and opposition? What happens when you realize that much of what happens in life is out of your control, can you still trust Him and believe that He created the plan for your life in the first place? Philippians 4:5-7; Isaiah 26:3
6. If the key to finding peace is 'don't panic, pray', do you find it easy to cast all of your cares (problems, anxieties, worries) on Him? Do you struggle with waiting for God to handle things? Do you often 'reel the problem back in' so that you can worry about it yourself? 1 Peter 5:7
7. Does it make sense that someone like Paul going through severe hardships, problems or tragedies could have complete peace? Does this transcend human understanding? How can knowing God's Will, His plan for your life, provide Purposeful Clarity and keep you from losing focus even in the midst of tragedy? Philippians 4:7; 4:13

**Key Takeaway:** *Paul pushed through the four phases, the Prompting of the Holy Spirit, Potential Uncertainty, Predictable Resistance. He recognized God's vision for his life, and he found Purposeful Clarity. Isn't it time for you to find God's Vision for your life, isn't it time to live the life God created you to live? Are you going to end up somewhere on purpose, do you have that kind of clarity?*

### **Summary:**

- What does Purposeful Clarity look like?
- Does the average Christian think that living in God's Will means happiness, blessings and prosperity with no problems, hardships, sickness or pain?
- How can you live in constant Joy?
- The key to joy is perspective
- Can you have Peace, even when you face opposition?
- Don't panic, pray, Cast all your cares/worries on Him
- When you know God's Will you can stay focused and have peace even in hardship