



Small Group Discussion Guide “Vision”

Open your group with a time of sharing and prayer. Ask God to use your study to better understand His will for your lives.

- I. We are going to take the next two weeks to look more carefully at the vision God has given us as a congregation.
 - a. When someone talks about their vision for their life, what exactly are they referring to?
 - b. How does a vision relate to goals or dreams?
 - c. What happens when someone loses their vision for their life and future?
 - d. In what ways does God help someone develop a vision for his or her life?
- II. Read [2 Kings 6:8-17](#).
 - a. Elisha was an Old Testament Prophet. In what ways did God give him insight into what was happening in Israel?
 - i. Does God still do that for people today? Explain your answer.
 - b. The King of Aram learned about Elisha’s powers. What did he resolve to do to better their odds in war?
 - c. Why did Elisha’s servant panic and Elisha didn’t?
 - d. According to [verse 16](#), what was the basis of Elisha’s courage?
 - e. How can a sense of God’s presence counter our fears today?
 - i. Note: [Josh. 1:9](#), [Ps. 121](#), [Heb. 13:5-6](#).
 - f. Elisha prayed for his servant. What did God do in response to his prayer?
 - i. How might a similar prayer and answer from God calm your doubts and fears in the face of difficulty?
 1. Any personal examples?
- III. Read the apostle Paul’s prayer in [Eph. 1:17-23](#). Note the kinds of things Paul prayed for the Ephesians Christians.
 - a. What does it mean to have the eyes of our hearts enlightened?
 - i. How does God do that?
 - ii. Why is it necessary that God reveal himself and His plans to us?
 1. Can’t we just learn these things on our own?

Close your time by praying Paul’s prayer for yourselves and for our church. Ask God to open our eyes to whom He is and what He wants to do in our congregation and in our community. Expect God to give us a greater sense of vision as we pray for it together.



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