

“A Mission Vision from God’s Perspective”

FOCUS

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In a few weeks, we will begin our annual missions' conference. Our theme for this year is...

VISION 20/20
HIS VISION. OUR FOCUS.

FAITH'S VISION FOR VICTORY

What is God's vision for world evangelism? Our focus should be upon what the Bible teaches regarding HIS VISION!

In the beginning –

❖ **God Possessed a Mission Vision = THE SIGHT**

Titus 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, **promised before the world began;**

- God, in His foreknowledge, was aware of Adam's fall "before the world began."
- God, in His foreknowledge, displayed His plan for man's redemption.

Psa. 19:1 **The heavens declare the glory of God**; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

- Note the connection of God's glory and "His righteousness."

Psa. 50:6 **And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge himself.** Selah.

Psa. 97:6 The **heavens declare his righteousness**, and **all the people see his glory.**

- God, in His glory, is holy. Mankind, as sinners, cannot be righteous before God, without God's intervention.
- The purpose of mankind is to bring glory to the Creator.

Isa. 43:7 *Even* **every one** that is called by my name: for **I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.**

- Fulfilling our purpose is negated by sin.

Rom. 3:10 As it is written, **There is none righteous, no, not one:** ...
23 For **all have sinned**, and **come short of the glory of God;**

- The hope for all of mankind was “promised before the world began;”
- The provision of such hope is was determined “...before the foundation of the world...”

❖ God Provided for the Mission Vision = **THE SACRIFICE**

1 Pet. 1:18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers;

19 But with **the precious blood of Christ**, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

20 Who verily was **foreordained before the foundation of the world**, but was manifest in these last times for you,

- The Lord Jesus Christ, *before the foundation of the world*, was made our sacrifice.
- God, in His foreknowledge, recorded names “...in the book of life from the foundation of the world.”

Rev 13:8 “...**in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.**”

- God's provision was made while we, as sinners, had no concern about Him.

Rom. 5:8 But **God commendeth his love toward us**, in that, **while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**

- The sacrificial payment for our sins, provides the way for us to be righteous before God.

2 Cor. 5:21 For **he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin;** that **we might be made the righteousness of God in him.**

❖ God Proved His Heart for the Mission Vision = **THE SAVIOR**

- God's provision for mankind's redemption manifested His love via His Son.

1 Jn. 4:9 **In this was manifested the love of God toward us**, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

10 **Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

- Too many people today see the wickedness of the world and blame God. Such wickedness is a result of sin.
- The answer to the wickedness is found through the wondrous love of God.

❖ **God Propelled His Help for the Mission Vision = THE SENDING**

Rom. 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

15 And **how shall they preach, except they be sent**? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

Titus 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, **promised before the world began;**

3 **But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching,** which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;

❖ **God Planned His Home for the Mission Vision = THE SERVICE**

Eph. 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him **before the foundation of the world,** that **we should be holy and without blame before him in love:**

2 Tim. 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but **according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,**

- God's plan for the believer's service is through a congregation. The purpose is to honor and glorify the Lord Jesus Christ and was planned "...before the world began,"

❖ God Prepared His Honoring for the Mission Vision = **THE SATISFACTION**

Mt. 25:23 His lord said unto him, **Well done, good and faithful servant;** thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

- At the Judgment Seat of Christ, a believer will be greatly satisfied by satisfying the Savior.
- The weary, faithful servant of Christ today will be immediately “satisfied” one second into eternity!

Psa. 17:15 As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: **I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.**

Psa. 107:9 For **he satisfieth the longing soul**, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

❖ **The greatest satisfaction in life is to fulfill the purpose of our creation = GLORIFY GOD!**

Jn. 17:4 I have glorified thee on the earth: **I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.**

2 Tim. 4:7 I have fought a good fight, **I have finished my course**, I have kept the faith:

Mt. 25:34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom **prepared for you from the foundation of the world:**

Conclusion

Rom. 3:22 Even **the righteousness of God which is by faith** of Jesus Christ **unto all** and **upon all them that believe**: for there is no difference:

Mt. 13:34 All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:

35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter **things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.**

Many things were not fully known and understood by mankind until the Lord Jesus Christ revealed them – one of THE most important revelations is found in Jn.14:6...

Jn. 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am** the way, the truth, and the life: **no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**