



Vision Sunday

Big Idea

All throughout the Bible we can find God's purpose for us as individuals and together as the church — know God, find freedom, discover purpose, and make a difference. For Vision Sunday we were reminded of our purpose and our propensity toward spiritual entropy. Entropy is defined as a gradual decline into disorder. So we not only need to get vision, but we also need to maintain it. There are four things we can do to combat entropy. We need to keep a close watch on our spiritual temperature, make time for authentic relationships with other believers, strive to see ourselves the way God sees us, and finally, live for heaven and not earth. In order to for us to maintain God's purpose for us, we must take inventory daily and remember that our citizenship and reward lies in heaven!

"I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people." (Ephesians 1:16-18)

Discussion Questions

- If our purpose is to know God, find freedom, discover purpose, and make a difference, how can we measure how we are doing? When do we know that we are growing?
- To combat entropy we must take inventory of our spiritual life often. How can you take inventory of your spiritual health daily?
- Can you think of a way that you can make more room in your life for authentic relationships and get out from behind screens?

Prayer Focus

This week pray through Ephesians 1:16-18 daily. Keep asking God to open the eyes of your heart, to give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation so that you can know Him more. Ask that He'd help you to discover the hope to which you've been called, the glorious inheritance we have in His holy people.

Next Steps

Next steps are how we go on the journey that God has marked out for us. We all have a next step and our spiritual growth happens as we take it. What is the next step that the Holy Spirit has been nudging you towards? Share with the group for support and accountability.

Leader Tip

Encourage your group to complete the Growth Track if they haven't already. If the Lord is leading them to a new team, encourage them to attend Step 4 to get connected this month.