



Critical Links



Along Life's Voyage

The link between *vision* and *voice*.

Proverbs 29:18a “Where there is no vision, the people perish...”

Revelation 1:9-12 KJV

9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;

Key Understanding! To see the *vision*, you must first turn to hear the *voice*.

For, if you cannot hear the voice of God, you're not prepared to see the vision. This is because the *voice* describes clarifies and explains what is seen.

- *God speaks to our innermost spirit. Satan and the flesh speak only to our mind.*
- *God speaks with a gentle leading. (God does not push, drive, or dominate.)*
- *God's voice produces freedom. Satan places people in bondage.*
- *God tends to speak when you're seeking Him (Jeremiah 29:12-13).*

- *God gives specific directions.*
- *When God speaks, you feel everything is under control. When flesh and Satan speak it feels as if things are out of control and chaotic.*
- *God speaks with 100% truth that can be tested by the Word of God.*
- *God's voice leads to deep peace (Philippians 4:7). Satan brings confusion.*

Point! In that quiet place of rest, the voice of God will thunder. It's then when we can obtain fresh vision for ourselves, our families & our ministries. New & Fresh vision must be accompanied by an old & familiar voice.

Corporate Prayer

The link between *voice* and *values*.

Romans 8:14 KJV For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Who would doubt the importance for one to be led by the Spirit? To be prompted, persuaded, propelled solely by the Spirit is a crown that godly individuals desire.

When a person focuses on the flesh, the things of the flesh come to mind. When he focuses on the Spirit, things of the Spirit come to mind.

- God always charts the *safest* course for us.
- God always guides us with *exactness* and wisdom.
- God always personally supervises our soul's wellbeing.
- God always leads us away from ourselves. (carnal flesh)

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Point! Gods people are sensible of their ignorance and weakness, and recognize the blessing and strength of being led by Him.

Led by religion	Led by the Spirit
Go to church	Are the church
Talk about Jesus	Follow Jesus
Have doctrines about the Holy Spirit	Are filled with the Holy Spirit
Pray for what they want	Pray for what God wants
Believe miracles might be possible	Experience miracles
Have done a study on demons	Have wrestled with demons
Are resistant to change	Are flexible and constantly growing

Corporate Prayer

The link between *values* and *victory*.

Repentance = “an inward change of ATTITUDE leading to an outward change of ACTION. Unless both of these occur, real repentance has not taken place

Bishop Jack Cunningham once asked,

“Is a freezer that freezes food now & then faithful?”

Is a hot water tank that gives hot water now & then faithful?”

Is a car that starts now & then faithful?”

Is a church member that prays now & then - goes to church now & then - tithes now & then faithful?”

When Godly values become established deep within an individual’s life, they rise to the surface and reveal themselves again through *stability*. Stability in Christ, invariably leads us into greater *victory*.

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2 Corinthians 2:14

KJV ~ Now thanks be unto God, which *always* causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

ABPE ~ But I thank God, who at all times *makes us* a vision in The Messiah and reveals the fragrance of his knowledge by us in every place.

Point! We shouldn’t be “worldly” in our actions & speech: but worldliness isn’t limited to dress or amusements but means adopting the world’s values & methods.

“God help us discern between a blessing and a bribe.” - Scott Shelton

If we will listen to God’s *voice*...

We can receive a fresh *vision* for our life and destiny...

That vision of what we may become, causes us to shift our *values*...

With the correct values we become *victorious* in God’s kingdom!