

## Run with His Vision (Part 1)



Critical time: Habakkuk complaining about situation, immanent invasion by Babylon.

Habakkuk 2:1-4 I will stand my watch and set myself on the rampart, and watch to see what He will say to me, and what I will answer when I am corrected <sup>2</sup> Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, that he may run who reads it. <sup>3</sup> For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. <sup>4</sup> "Behold the proud, his soul is not upright in him; But the just shall live by his faith.

### Vs. 1 - Listen to what God will say

- I don't want my own vision. I want to follow Jesus vision.
  - Jesus doesn't want to fit into your vision. He wants us to fit into his vision.

### **2 Visions = Di-vision**

- God doesn't change His mind every 3 months and lead by whim.
- People will come to this house and try to impart their vision, or the vision of the house they came from.
- People say, "This is the type of church I want". I say, "What about the type of Church Jesus wants?"



### Vision is progressive, not a onetime event:

- + Takes time & prayer, comes by revelation
- + Not set in stone

A leader is one who knows the way,  
goes the way, and shows the way

Write things down for:  
1. Memory  
2. Clarity  
3. Posterity

### Vs. 2 - Responsibility: write it down/run with it

#### Make it plain



Jesus doesn't want to make a religion out of a method of vision as some have done. "A vision can only be done one way". I have seen people get in strife over how a vision is written or communicated. It can only be done this man's way. I have seen people only attend a church that does it a certain way.

It has been said that 95% - 97% of the people in the world do NOT have written goals and fail, while 3-5% have written goals and succeed.

"To be an effective communicator, you have you to be willing to keep emphasizing a point" ~ John Maxwell

### Vs. 3 - Realize it is for an appointed time

Wait for it – patience. Some haven't waited!

"We all want good things to happen in our lives, but too often we want it now...not later. When it doesn't happen that way, we are tempted to ask, "When, God, when?" Most of us need to grow in the area of trusting God instead of focusing on the "when" question. If you're missing joy and peace, you're not trusting God. If your mind feels worn out all the time, you're not trusting God. ...We spend a lot of time in our lives waiting because change is a process. Many people want change, but they don't want to go through the waiting process. But the truth is, waiting is a given—we are going to wait. The question is, are we going to wait the wrong or right way? If we wait the wrong way, we'll be miserable; but if we decide to wait God's way, we can become patient and enjoy the wait. It takes practice, but as we let God help us in each situation, we develop patience, which is one of the most important Christian virtues." ~ Joyce Meyer from When God When

"Vision leaks" ~ Bill Hybels

### Vs. 4 - Walk by faith

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

2 Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

Proverbs 29:18 (KJV) Where *there is* no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.



Vision:  
1. The act or power of seeing with the eye  
2. Prophetic, revelation

No man that does not see visions will ever realize any high hope or undertake any high enterprise. ~ Woodrow Wilson