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New Message Series: Vision: Fan Into Flame

1. The Vision / The Purpose

Proverbs 29:18 - Hopeless, Lost

<u>Proverbs 29:18</u> - <u>Live Like Wild Animals</u>

Proverbs 29:18 - Arrogant / BLIND

Proverbs 29:18 - American Church Today

TRUTH: No matter how you translate (Heb: chazown) without it we live <u>scattered</u>, <u>unfocused</u>, <u>confused</u> lives that bring <u>no</u> or <u>very little</u> <u>Glory to God</u>.

1 Corinthians 10:31

2 Corinthians 5:13-15

Friendships Vision / Purpose: "To glorify God by making disciples."

- ◆ Without A Compelling Vision—We are <u>busy</u> doing <u>stuff</u>, <u>doing church</u>, but <u>not</u> on <u>God's Track</u> we <u>drift</u>, <u>pulled off center</u>.
- ◆ With Compelling Vision—We know, understand, believe, and <u>Live Out</u> the <u>Vision</u>; <u>passionately on track with God</u>.

Vision: "A mental picture of what could be... fueled by a passion that it should be." ~Andy Stanley

2. "FAN The Flame"

2 Timothy 1:6, 7

When Vision Set On Fire:

- 1) Those who want vision <u>seek God</u>, they <u>follow Christ seriously</u>, and are <u>transformed</u> by <u>His Spirit</u> into disciples who <u>replicate</u>, <u>reproduce disciples</u>.
- 2) <u>God's Vision Burned in Paul</u>: stirred him into <u>action</u> that "<u>turned the world upside down</u>." Acts 17:6

How To Get Ignited:

1) A Heart That Hears

• "When the human heart <u>reacts</u> to <u>hearing the Word of God</u>, a <u>Divine Spark</u> can be <u>set off</u> thru the <u>Holy</u> Spirit."

John 1:29, 40, 41

2) A Heart That Responds

John 1:42

Get This: "Simon" in Hebrew — "to listen", "Cephas" in Aramaic (Peter in Gk) means "stone" or "rock"

 \Rightarrow So — <u>Simon</u> to <u>Cephas</u>; <u>listener</u> to <u>rock</u>, <u>fisherman</u> to <u>follower</u>: Jesus wants a complete transformation in Peter: An Eternal Purpose!

3) A Heart That Dares To Risk All For Gods Glory

2 Peter 1:3, 4, 8, 9

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