

## 20/20 Vision For 2022: Can You See It?

*"Then Jesus came to Bethsaida; and they brought a blind man to Him, and begged Him to touch him. So He took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the town. And when He had spit on his eyes and put His hands on him, He asked him if he saw anything. And he looked up and said, "I see men like trees, walking." **Then He put His hands on his eyes again and made him look up. And the man was restored and saw everyone clearly.**" Mark 8:22-25*

### I. Introduction

### II. Vision Clarifiers

#### Key thoughts to consider:

- More often than not, we don't need a change of **scenery**, but we need a change of **perspective**!
- There is always power in God's passion.
- When you can see it, you can own it.
- What you focus on is what you accomplish.
- God's passion for you & me empowers us and propels us forward.

### III. Thoughts and Promises for the New Year

*"But forget all that—it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! **DON'T YOU SEE IT? I will make a pathway** through the wilderness. **I will create rivers** in the desert (the dry wasteland.)" Isaiah 43:18, 19*

**Do we really know that God is faithful?—these verses speaks to His stability of character**

*"I am the Lord, and **I do not change**. That is why you descendants of Jacob are not already destroyed." Malachi 3:6 (NLT)*

*"Jesus Christ is the same **yesterday, today, and forever**." Hebrews 13:8 (NLT)*

### IV. Boldly Walking Through Gates of Growth For 2022

*"And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "Our sister, may you increase to thousands upon thousands; **may your offspring possess the gates of their enemies**." Genesis 24:60*

**1. You must refuse to go back to the Gate of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, for our new gate has now become the Gate of \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"I (The Lord) will give her (Israel) vineyards from there, And **the Valley of Achor as a door of hope**; she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth..." Hosea 2:15 (NKJV)*

*"Remember that in those days you were living utterly apart from Christ; you were enemies of God's children, and he had promised you no help. **You were lost, without God, without hope.**" Ephesians 2:12 (LB)*

*"Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But **if you can do anything**, take pity on us and help us." "**If you CAN'?**" said Jesus. "**Everything is possible for him who believes.**" Mark 9:21-23*

*"What can we ever say to such wonderful things as these? **If God is for us (on our side), who can ever be against us?**" Romans 8:31 (LB)*

**2. You must refuse to go back to the Gate of \_\_\_\_\_, for our new gate is the Gate of \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"Now there was a famine in the land...When Isaac planted his crops that year, **he harvested a hundred times more** grain than he planted, **because the Lord blessed him.**" Genesis 26:12*

*"But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly nor of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. "God is able to make it up to you **by giving you everything you need and more** so that there will not only be enough for your own needs **but plenty left over to give joyfully to others**... Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, **supply and multiply the seed you have sown** and increase the fruits of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." II Corinthians 9:6-11*

**3. You must refuse to go back to the Gate of \_\_\_\_\_, for our new gate has become the Gate of \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11*

*"For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay." Habakkuk 2:3*

*"I know that You, Lord, can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted." Job 42:2*

*"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus **to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.**" Ephesians 2:10*

*"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by **changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you**, which is good and pleasing and perfect." Romans 12:2 (NLT)*

**ANSWER KEY:**

*1. FEAR, FAILURE, AND DISCOURAGEMENT----HOPE*

*2. LACK----BLESSING*

*3. Directionless Living---- Vision, Purpose, and Accomplishment*