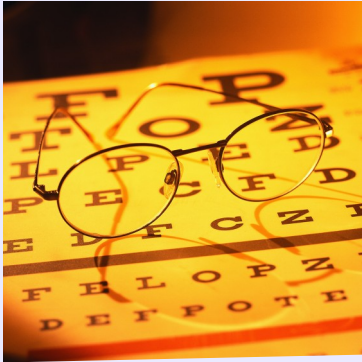




### Where there is a vision but no plan to make it a reality, the people will be frustrated!



I am sorry for the flip-side paraphrase of Proverbs 29:18 but there is a point that I am trying to make here.

This is exactly the kind of situation that many churches find themselves in today. Many pastors and church lay leaders have a definite vision for what God is calling them to be and where He is calling them to go. But there is a lack of definitive movement in the direction that the vision is focusing on. Perhaps a better understanding of what that verse is really saying will help us put into better context regarding church growth and development.

The “vision” mentioned in Proverbs 29:18 was not what we think of today. It was not some ethereal mystical experience. It was not a forward thinking and motivational experience. Instead, the vision mentioned in this passage is all about teaching and instruction. In the days of the prophets, God spoke to His people through the visions of the prophets. Those visions were immediately communicated to the people and used for educational and instructional purposes. In other words, the receipt of the vision from God was not separate from the communication and instruction of what that all meant to the people. The instruction of the vision was equal in significance to receipt of the vision.

### Here may be the point where the church of today needs some help.

The church leadership of today needs to hone their skills in communicating the vision, providing instruction on what the vision is, and providing the tactical guidance or tangible demonstration of the vision to the rest of the congregation.

### What about your leadership skills?

Are your leadership skills what they need to be to take the vision that God has given you and translate it into specific ministry activities? If they are not, what are you doing about it? Are you asking the Holy Spirit to embolden and empower you?

### Work hard and pray hard.

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