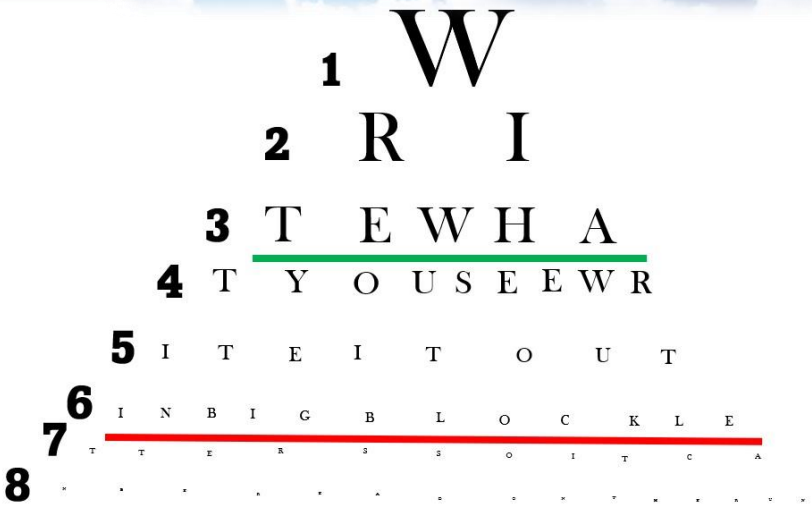
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Vision Driven:
2027 Church Vision Training
Spirit Led vs. Budget Driven Visioning

Monday, September 28, 2026
7:00PM

Successful Church Visioning Requires…
1. Pastors trained in vision casting
2. Servant Leaders desiring to support God's vision
3. Congregations willing to follow visionary leadership

Attend tonight's Servant Leaders' Classroom (SLC) to begin your 2027 visioning process.



Habakkuk 2:2 (Message Translation)

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In today's training, you will learn…

1. The Meaning of Vision Driven
2. The Spiritual Church Vision vs. a Ministry Idea
3. The Goal & Purpose of the Spiritual Church Vision
4. The Biblical Meaning of Being Spirit-Led
5. Biblical Vision Casting from the Life of Moses

What does it mean to be a "Vision Driven Leader"?

What are the requirements for being a "Vision Driven Leader"?

Discuss the Following:

The difference between a Vision Driven Leader and an Opinion Driven Leader is…

The Purpose of a Spiritual Church Vision

_____ the Body of Christ to evangelize and reach _____ _____ for the Lord. Church Visions are essential for church _____.

"Where there is no vision, the people perish." (Proverbs 29:18, KJV)

The Purpose of a Spiritual Church Vision

Vision is the church's _____. It is the servant leadership's _____ _____ that helps your church navigate ministry-related _____ and remain focused on your church's _____. Churches with well-defined, clearly-stated _____ _____ are more likely to experience growth and _____ _____.

Ministry "Idea" vs. God's Vision: What's the Difference?

Ministry "Idea"

A brief _____ that provides a possible _____ to a ministry need. While spiritual "visions" from God do include some _____, ideas are different from spiritual visions in that ideas originate from _____ and spiritual visions originate from _____.

The Spiritual Vision

A *Spiritual Vision* is an _____ of what God is going to do that is rooted within the _____ of _____. It begins with a personal _____ with God that involves ongoing _____ and prayer that brings clarity to what God is calling His people to do.

Visions of God are not _____ as dreams occur in the _____ mind and do not always speak and clearly identify the _____ and _____ of God.

The Goal & Purpose of the Spiritual Vision

Spiritual Church Visions Should ALWAYS _____ & _____ Others in the Spirit!

Leaders should be careful to use your position to lead others to a point of being "_____ _____".

Your goal is not to "win" the _____ argument. Your goal is to use your position, the visioning process, and vision God has given your church to _____ your leadership and congregation in being led by the _____ of the _____. Your congregation's vision process is not successful unless this has taken place.

What is the Biblical Meaning of "Spirit-Led"?

"_____" Does Not Mean "Spirit-Led"

Hearing from God in your _____ _____is not the same as hearing from God on behalf of your _____. God speaks directly to _____ about His Will for "you", but speaks to you through your "_____", your "spiritual leader" regarding the congregation you serve.

Which is True?

A. God's voice for you (is/is not) the same as God's voice for your church.
B. My position as a ministry leader (does/does not) give me the right to speak on behalf of our congregation.

C. My position as a leader of the church (does/does not) give me the authority to tell my Pastor what he/she will/will not do.

In the Presence of a Spiritual Leader

14 Then the Lord's anger burned against Moses and he said, "What about your brother, Aaron the Levite? **I know he can speak well. He is already on his way to meet you**, and **he will be glad to see you**.

15 You shall speak to him and put words in his mouth; I will help both of you speak and will teach you what to do.

16 He will speak to the people for you, and it will be as if he were your mouth and as if you were God to him.

17 But take this staff in your hand so you can perform the signs with it."

Exodus 4:14-17 (NIV)

From a Biblical Perspective

<u>According to the Bible</u>, is it possible for a church to be "Spirit Led" without the presence, leadership, and involvement of the church's Pastor/Spiritual Leader?

Just Because You Can, It Doesn't Mean You Should.

23 "I have the right to do anything," you say—but not everything is beneficial. "I have the right to do anything"—but not everything is constructive. 24 No one should seek their own good, but the good of others.

1 Corinthians 10:23-24 (NIV)

“Spiritual” Does Not Mean “Spirit-Led”

[1] Miriam and Aaron talked against Moses behind his back because of his Cushite wife (he had married a Cushite woman). [2] They said, **“Is it only through Moses that God speaks? Doesn’t he also speak through us?”**

God overheard their talk. Numbers 12:1-2 (Message Translation)

[1] Moses had married a Cushite woman, and Miriam and Aaron criticized him for it.[2] They said, **"Has the LORD spoken only through Moses? Hasn't he also spoken through us?"** The LORD heard what they said.

Numbers 12:1-2 (Good News Translation)

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[15] You shall speak to him and put words in his mouth; I will help both of you speak and will teach you what to do. [16] He will speak to the people for you, and it will be as if he were your mouth and as if you were God to him.

Exodus 4:15-16

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[15] You [Moses] shall speak to him [Aaron] and put words in his [Aaron’s] mouth; I will help both of you [Moses and Aaron] speak and will teach you [Moses] what to do. [16] He [Aaron] will speak to the people for you [Moses], and it will be as if he [Aaron] were your [Moses] mouth and as if you [Moses] were God to him [Aaron]. Exodus 4:15-16

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1. God spoke to _____. (vs. 15-16)
2. Moses spoke to _____. "[15a] You [Moses] shall speak to him [Aaron] and put words in his [Aaron's] mouth…"
3. God taught both _____ and _____ what to do and say. "[15b] I will help both of you [Moses and Aaron] speak and will teach you [Moses] what to do." Aaron shared the message of Moses to the congregation. "[16a] He [Aaron] will speak to the people for you [Moses]"
4. Aaron ensures that he is one with both _____ and _____. "[16b] …it will be as if he [Aaron] were your [Moses] mouth and as if you [Moses] were God to him [Aaron]."

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1. God Speaks to Your _____
2. Your _____ Speaks to You
3. God Teaches Your Moses and You What to _____ and _____
4. You Speak the Words You Received from Your _____ which He/She Received from _____

What hinders a believer from being a "Vision Driven Leader"?

Hindrance #1: Convictions

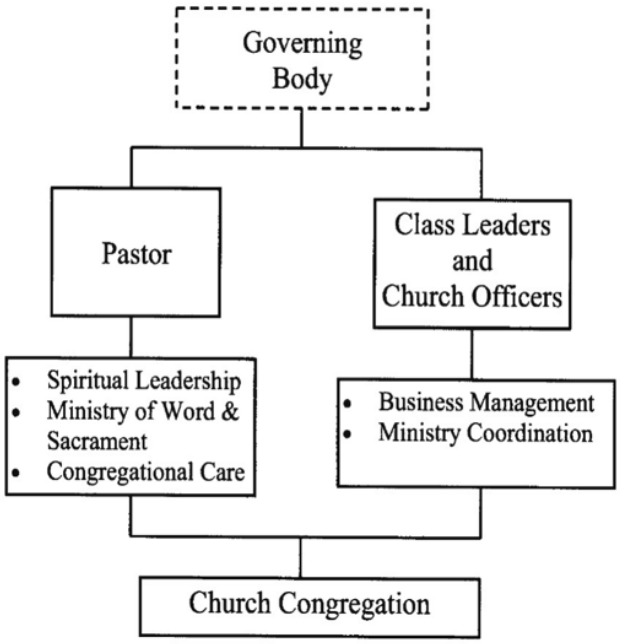
Two Types of "Convictions" in Ministry

A. _____ Convictions

B. _____ Convictions

Hindrance #2: Church Structure

Some church structures are not only _____, but are _____ regarding the implementation of a Spiritual Vision within the church.



Homework: About Your Pastor's Vision

- What is your Pastor's Vision for your church?
- As a member of your church, how are you personally and individually encouraging your Pastor in seeking the fulfilling God's vision?
- In what way is your position being used to assist your Pastor in fulfilling and realizing God's vision within your church?
- How are you supporting, promoting, and implementing the Pastor's vision from God within your ministry group?