



Sunday July 28, 2013

Subject: **“Lord Give Us a Vision”**

Our lesson brought to us by Rev. Floyd L. Williams comes from (Isaiah 6: 1-8) and (Titus 2: 11 – 15).

**Background:** Proverbs 29:18

(KJV) 18:”Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he”. Isaiah describes the revelation of the Lord of hosts exalted in the temple and praised by seraphim (6:1-4). The apostle John says that in this vision Isaiah saw the glory of Jesus Christ (John 12:37-41).

**Examples of Vision:** There are many types of visions. Moses was allowed to experience the vision of freeing the Israelites right by the burning bush. Our forefathers who were abolitionists; Nat Turner, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth and numerous others were given the vision to free their people.

**What type of Vision must we have to serve the Lord.**

1) Vision of Holiness

**Ponder and Consider:**

- a) Vision of things to be, is not limited to a person’s age
- b) Without vision we cannot fulfill God’s work effectively.
- c) Follow Isaiah’s example and ask to be purified to prepare for sharing the vision.

2) Vision of Holy Living

**Ponder and Consider:**

- a) Reject all un-holiness.
- b) Remain prayerful giving God total praise in spite of our situation.
- c) Praising God by the way we live our lives.
- d) Be involved with the “Lord of works” Jehovah Jireh, Yaweh, El Shaddai instead of simply being involved in only works.

3) Vision of Coming Attractions.

**Ponder and Consider:**

- a) Look ahead and look forward to.
- b) Close the door to the past.
- c) Embrace sanctification which means “to be set apart to do God’s work” as opposed to feelings of being holier than others.
- d) Be mindful of the coming of Christ.

**Summary:** The sermon culminates with the 3rd vision of "Coming Attractions" specifically referring to the coming of Christ and actions to ponder while we prepare ourselves. Take our shoes off when we enter church and are on holy ground E.g. Moses. There is no room for foolishness in the house of the Lord as in God’s kingdom. Remove our shoes of presumption, arrogance, and intellectual snobbery and ask not for a life of personal fame or gain. In Jesus Name AMEN.