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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to all the products of God (human being), who believed that without manufacture (God) life has no meaning and no fulfillment.

This book is dedicated to my beloved daughter Elishama, who will live to fulfilled God's purpose for her life in spite of life odds and challenges. You are precious and dearer to my heart.

Sam Adebayo

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If you have nobody who can inspire you in life you will soon expire.

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FORWARD

Life journey must have a specific purpose. This assertion also has spiritual backing in the book of Roman 9:17 "I raise you up for this very purpose, that I might display my power in you and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth". This is a strong proclamation from our creator.

From the above affirmation, it is clear that God created every human being for a purpose. The ultimate challenge is the discovery of the divine purpose. This generate inspiring question like, "What is life about?" "What is my purpose on earth?" "How can I fulfill this purpose?"... If you can ask yourself these kinds of questions, you are taking a very bold preliminary step to life fulfillment! Eventually, you will come out with a clear vision. For instance, "it is the vision to improve the living conditions of human being that inspired Thomas Edison to invent the Light-Bulb". Therefore, to live a purposeful life, you must come up with God inspired vision and pursue it systematically.

The methodology or systematic steps to be taken by a creature are taught by Prophets of God, Bishops, Reverends, Evangelists and other anointed men of God. These are inscribed in the scriptures, literatures, religion books and recently, CD, DVD, Internet and other electronic media.

Your baptism, salvation and other aspect of your life could be improved by searching for more knowledge. Therefore, to be more knowledgeable and taking systematic steps to divine greatness, "***Purpose your Life Map***", a spiritually inspired book written by **Pastor Sam Adebayo** is strongly recommended.

INTRODUCTION

“Many are the plans in a man’s heart but it is the Lord’s purpose that will prevail Ps. 33:11.

Imagine arriving on the outskirts of a large city and being told to drive to a particular home or office in that city. But here’s the point: there is no road signs and you have no map of the city. To say the truth, all you are given is a general description of the home or office. The question is, how long do you think it would take you to find the home or office in the city without a road map and without road sign?

The answer is, probably your whole life. If you ever do find the home or office, it would be very much a matter of luck. And sadly enough, this is the way most people live their lives. Most people started life travelling aimlessly through an unmapped and uncharted world. This is the same thing with someone who commences the journey of life without understanding the plan God have for him. The bible says. ***“I raise you up for this purpose, that I might display my power in you and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth” Romans 9:17.***

This is what the Lord says your redeemer, the Holy one of Israel: ***“I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is best for you, and direct you in the way you should go” Isaiah 48:17.*** It is very important for everyone on the planet earth today to know that they are not random product. We are all wonderfully marvelously made by God. It is my prayer as you continues reading this book, that God will open the eyes of your understanding so that you can discover, develop and contribute positively through your purpose to the need of man. Amen. The world is waiting for your manifestation, no more delay for you this time, every yoke that bound you down in one spot for all these years is loose in Jesus Name and you are set free. Amen.

Purpose your life map is an offshoot of the basic things that I have learnt over the years about the laws of purpose. I believe that reading this book and acting on the principles in your personal life will make the years ahead the best. Therefore, read along carefully as we embark on the journey into the discovery of God’s deliberate intention for your life. Purposed to continue and you will get to your destination. You will be fulfilled!

CHAPTER ONE

Everything started with God. Life without God, is a life without meaning and full of sorrow without destination – SAM ADEBAYO.

Every manufacturer would survey the market and discovered the need of consumers and will sit down to determine the product that will solve the consumers needs.

Therefore, it is very important for every living souls to know that you are just a produ

ct in the hand of the manufacturer (God) sent into the market (World) to meet the consumers (People) needs and put an end to their needs. The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed. Rom. 8:19. "I said you are "Gods", you are all sons of the most High". Ps. 82:6.

What is purpose?

Purpose can be defined as God deliberate intention for your life.

📌 **SAM ADEBAYO.**

Purpose – Webster’s New World Dictionary defines purpose as “Some things one intends to get or do; aim or the object for which something exists or is done.

Purpose – Oxford Advanced Learner’s Dictionary defines purpose as “intention, aim or function of something; the things that something is supposed to achieve.

GOD THE GOOD PLANNER

It is imperative to know that there is a God who has been before you. And He has a thought for you. For I know the thought that I think towards you saith the Lord, thought of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected and (Jer. 29: 11KJV).

“For by him all things were created; things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities: all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together, Col. 1:16-17.

Thought in the mind of God, become his intent and intent acted upon become purpose of his heart and purpose written down become plan. Because plan by definition is a written list of arranged actions necessary to achieve your desired goal. Write the vision and make it plain upon tables that he may run that readeth it (Habakkuk 2:2KJV). “The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him (Jesus) unrolling it, he found where it is written, Luke 4:17-27.

Until you discover God’s plan for your life, you have no road map to your destination in life.

Every God’s destiny must surely have destination. Therefore, it is discovery of God deliberate intention for your life that will give you clear direction to your destination in life. Purpose is your life map.

Map according to this context is a drawing or plan of the earth’s surface or part of it, showing countries, Town Rivers, etc. in him we were also chosen having been pre-destined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, Eph. 1:11. The word predestined according to the above scripture is: fore-ordain or to destine beforehand. God foreordained everything that would hap

pen.

God said concerning Jeremiah before I formed you in the womb I knew you before you were born I set you apart: I appointed you as a prophet to the nations. Jere. 1:5.

God said I have a road map to your destination in life, but you can't get to your destination until you come back to God and ask him earnestly to tell you what you are created for in life. Matt. 7:7.

The Story of my life

Precisely 1998 is a busy year of my life without effect. Despite that I have made Jesus Christ the Lord and savior of my life, I am still longing for meaning in my life.

I normally asked myself why am I here on earth? What is the reason for my living?

Is this all there is to life? What am I born to do and become?

I thank God that he had not left us without hope. Because God so much loved the world that he sent himself in the form of a man into this world and died on the cross, so that he can add value and significance into our lives.

So exactly year 2002 answer came for my long time question. In the afternoon of this glorious day I was in the fasting and prayer and in open vision: I saw myself in a very big ship with a huge net in my hand on the ocean and I was catching big big fishes until there was no space any more inside the ship to contain the fishes. It was then the Lord told me that I am called to preach the gospel with a special message "purpose and fulfillment" with authority to disarm the hold of forces of darkness over people destiny and God is confirming his word with signs and wonders. My prayer for the readers of this book is that God will liberate you from the hold of sin because that is the weapon of the devil. And the power in the blood of Jesus Christ will make you whole. Your purpose in life will not be terminated, but will be fulfilled in Jesus Name.

CHAPTER TWO

Abuse began from heaven. When the purpose of a thing is not known, abuse is inevitable – Doctor. MYLES MUNROE.

“And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their own home these he has kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgment on the great day. Jude 1 : 6.

By divine hierarchy, there are three major angels in heaven with their subordinate angels in heaven with their subordinate angels under their jurisdiction with a different purpose.

1. **Warriors Angels:** Their head is arch angel Michael. Jude 1:9
2. **Messenger Angels:** Their head is arch angel Gabriel. Luke 1:19
3. **Praise and Worship Angels:** Their head is arch angel Lucifer. Eze. 28:11-19, Isa. 14:12 – 15, Rev. 12:7-9, who is Lucifer? Lucifer means light – bearer, son of the morning. The name of Satan, Isa. 14:12. Lucifer duties is: anointed as a guardian cherub, Eze. 28:14.

Lucifer was a musical director in heaven before he fell from heaven.

How you have fallen from heaven o morning Star, Son of the dawn; Isa. 14:12. While the morning Stars Sang together and all the angels shouted for Job. Job 38:7.

Angels in Hebrew world also signified sons of God. There is wages for sin. That is why God did not leave those angels that rebel with Lucifer unpunished. “For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them into gloomy dangerous to be held for judgment. 2pt 2:4.

The same sin that Satan deceive Eve to commit was the same he committed in heaven before he was casted down to the earth. Satan wanted to dethrone God and become God. That is his sin. “Your heart became proud on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your wisdom because of your splendor. Eze 28:14. Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall. Prov. 16:18.

Satan five sin of proudness: Isa. 28:13-14.

1. I will ascend to heaven
2. I will raise my throne above the Stars of God
3. I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain
4. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds
5. I will make myself the most High. The opposite was what happened to him. What determined your position in life is your purpose.

Status without purpose is position without authority – DR. MYLES MUNROE

Abuse is in every where today.

ABUSE OF POWER AND POSITION

We've seen government today that turned national purse to their family and personal uses, without even caring if the majority are dying. Money embezzlement in government office. Nigerian is the first nation that is guilty of this. The love of money is a root of all kind of evil, I Tim. 6:10.

Police men that supposed to be protecting the lives of people are the one taking bride here and there. Nigeria police need to repent from this sin..... "A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions", Luke 12:15.

CHURCH ABUSE

The Sole purpose for Jesus raising the Church which is the body of Christ is to build people matt. 16:18. But it is very obvious today that most of the Church founder intention is to make and loot money that is donated by members through different fund raising. May God touch the heart of those gospel ministers that are guilty of this sin.

VERBAL ABUSE

The words you utter have impact: positive or negative. You are either building people up or breaking them down by the word of your mouth. "And they spread bad report about the land they had explored. Number 13:31-33. Married couples are guilty of this and forget that there is a creative force in a spoken word. John 1:1-2, Proverbs 18:21.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building other up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen, Eph. 4:29.

SEXUAL ABUSE

Sexual intercourse is only good if it is only in the confined of marriage.

Any single person either male or female that tastes sex before marriage is destroying his or her body, 1 Cor. 6:18; 2 Tim. 2:22.

Your body is a temple of God who dwell in you by the Holy Spirit, 1 Cor. 3 : 16 – 17.

Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer, and all the sexual immoral, Heb. 13:4. "But a man who commits adultery lacks judgment; whoever does so destroy himself, Prov. 6:32; Matt. 5:27-28.

Jesus replied, "You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures the power of God. Matt. 22:29.

May God deliver you from the spirit of error in Jesus Name. Amen.

CHAPTER 3

Why natural man can't know his purpose. The future you can't picture from the scripture, you can't feature DR. DAVID OYEDEPO.

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The God of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, 2Cor. 4:3-4.

I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the Saints, Eph. 1:19. At best a sinner is a dead man. but that has become confusion to many people. And in their confused mind they were asking 'why a sinner is a dead man'? When he or she is still walking with his/her two legs. To understand it we have to think the way God think and see the way God see things. "for my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways. Saith the Lord is Isa. 55:8.

THREE KINDS OF DEATH

1. **Physical death:** The separation of the inner man from the body (James 2:26)
2. **Spiritual death:** Separation from God because of sin (Ephesians 2:1,5, Isa. 59:2; Matt. 8:28; Col. 2:13; I Tim. 5:6; Habakkuk 1:13).
3. **Eternal death:** Eternal separation from God because man chooses to remain in separation from (Matt. 10:28, 25, 41, 46, Rev. 2: 11; Isa. 66:22-24). This is called the second death or second separation from God (Rev. 20:14 21:8).

But base on this context we are looking at spiritual death, which is separation from God because of sin. According to Apostle Paul man is compartmentalized into three sections: body, soul and spirit.

1. **Body:** which is your outer person is the house of the soul and spirit goes back to dust again at death (Gen. 3:19; Ec. 12:7) and become immortal in the resurrection (I Cor. 15:54-58).
2. **Soul:** Gr. Psyche, Life; soul or spiritual part in contrast to the material body; also the Spirit which still retains the shape and size of its living owner: the seat of desires, feelings, passion, and emotion. Psyche is corresponds to Heb. Nephesh in Old Testament.

The difference between soul and body, Job 14:22. The body which is also called the flesh was upon him and his spirit within him. The body only is material and

of dust and will return dust (Gen. 2:7, 3:19-21 the inner man, which is made up of soul and spirit, is spiritual it was created to live inside the body (Gen. 2:7) at death the body died and the inner man leave it and go to heaven or hell, depending on the way the individual lived in his or her life time, whether he or she accept God's provision of salvation and conform to the righteousness taught in the bible. All soul are fully conscious between death and the resurrection the righteousness souls being conscious in heaven (2Cor. 5:8, Phil. 1:21-24; Heb. 12:22-23; Rev. 6:9-11) and the wicked souls in hell (Isa. 14:9; Lk. 16:19-31; Rev. 11:1-15).

THE SOUL OF MAN COMPRISES OF THREE SECTIONS

- A. **EMOTION:** Is a seat of feelings and affection such as; love, hate, fear, anger etc. Job 14:22; Rom. 8:6.
 - B. **MIND:** The faculty of thinking, intellect and consciousness. Psyche.
 - C. **WILL:** This is faculty where decision is being made. The power of making of reasonable choice or of controlling one's own actions. Determination. Deu. 30:19-20.
3. **Spirit:** Heb. Ruach. The greek word for spirit in the N.T. is pneuma it occurs as the same in meaning as ruach in Hebrew word. The primary meaning of both word is invisible force. The spirit of man is the intellect, will, mind, conscience, and other invisible faculties that makes him a free moral agent and a rational being. Both the soul and spirit of man are im-mortal. They are so closely related that it is hard to distinguish the finest details of difference. This is clear from 1 Thess. 5:23; Heb. 4:12. In general we can say that the spirit is that which know (1 cor. 2:11). And soul is that which feels. (Job. 14:22). Both make the inner man which leaves the body at death (Jas. 2:26).

SIN IS A DESTROYER

When a man choose to live in and without God, living in sin his inner man is attacked immediately and died. But the two other faculties are still alive. He can still go where ever he want but before God he is a dead man that is still living it just a master of time before other two faculties join the first one. Between Genesis.

Chapter 3 that Adam ate the forbidden fruit to chapter 5 it took death 930 years to catch up with other two faculties. Because man was not created to die from the beginning, it was the entrance of sin that brought death into man's race, 1 Cor. 15:5; Rom. 5:12-14 Eph. 2:1-6.

WE ARE SAVED BY GRACE

At salvation level the spirit of man that the devil has attacked is first regenerated back

k to God. Because the moment sin attacked the spirit man he can't hear God anymore nor can he see what God is showing. At best the flesh took over, since he can't receive information from God who is the source of the spirit of man. Because everything in life is made to respond to its source. Everything must be sustained and preserved by the source where it was created that is why Jesus said man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceeds from God's mouth, Matt 4:4. If a man is only living by bread, he is only feeding the flesh which was made from the ground or earth and will return to the earth but the major aspect of him which is the spirit that is from God is being starved because man has disconnected from his source which is God John 1:1-2, 6:63, Rom 8:6-8.

Naturally when you don't feed your body with a balanced diet, your body begins to malfunction so also is your spirit when you refused to feed to your spirit with what proceeds from God's mouth your spirit will begin to malfunction and at this moment you are vulnerable to Satan's attack. John 15:1-5 and without this spirit regeneration man cannot worship from the spirit but in the flesh, John 4:23-24. And when man cannot worship God from the spirit because of the spiritual disconnection he cannot receive right information 1 Cor. 2:14-15. And because the soul of man also must be filled with information, because what he takes into himself from his environment man starts to receive information from his physical environment man was not created to receive information from his surroundings but from God.

That is why Adam's response was that he was naked when God asked him who told him that he was naked, Genesis 3:9-11. That means God doesn't expect man to receive information from his environment which is erroneous but from Him. Radio news, television news and newspaper is not enough to keep you alive. In fact they are not necessary for the health of your spirit. Jesus said the words that I speak unto you they are spirit and they are life John 6:63. God's word is God's power. What feeds our body is what God's word is to your spirit that is why we can't joke with it. God's word is able to sustain us and it is the power of God, Heb. 1:3. God's word is the force at work at salvation John 3:3,5, James 1:18, Thes. 5:23; 1 Pt. 1:23-25; John 8:32; 15:3; 17:7. Jesus is the gift from God to man. Anybody that accepts this gift which is grace is saved, John 3:16; Rom. 5:15-21. Thank you Jesus for saving us through grace.

CHAPTER 4

POWER OF VISION

The eyes that look are common, but eyes that see are uncommon – Helen Keller. Where there is no revelation the people cast off restraint; but blessed is he who keeps the law, Pro. 29:18.

“You are either running with a vision going on a mission, or burning with a passion. If you don’t belong to any of these, life is reduced to a burden”. – **DR. DAVID OYEDEPO**

What you don’t see in life, you can’t possess it. Because possession in life is based on perception. Therefore, you must see it first before you can become it, do it or get there. Take the driving principle for instance, before the take off from the park the destination towards which one is driving must first be established. Reason being that, how far you see in life is how far you can go. God said to Jeremiah what did you see? And in his reply he said I saw an almond tree. And God said that you have seen right I will hasten and watch over my word to fulfill it. In another word it is what you see that I will fulfill.

God also said unto Abraham lift up your eyes to the south, west, north and east for as far as you can see shall be giving you. One day Michelangelo saw a block of marble that the owner said was of no value. “It is value to me”, said Michelangelo. “There is an angel imprisoned in it. And I must set it free. “Learn to see the unseen. The man who cannot see the unseen will live below God’s standard or expectation for his life.

One day Gideon had encounter with an angel from heaven. And the angel said peace be unto you, you mighty man of valour but it was amazed what Gideon was seeing himself: the least from Benjamin. It was that encounter that changes his identity and self-esteem. Because if you don’t see yourself as God sees you the self image you will be carrying around is inferiority complex and your self esteem will be destroyed. Adam is the first man on the planet earth who always & constantly have encounter with God. When he loses his place in God and on earth based on the fact that he cannot see himself on the light of who he was. God said like begets like. Which means that God begets God. and Adam the vision of Adam about himself was bleak he fell into the deception of Satan who said he is going to become God just by eating forbidden fruit. My question for all the readers of this book is who are you? Who will you be? What will you do? Why are you on earth? If you cannot clearly answer this question you are not yet living to the life that God designs for you to live. The world has rarely seen what God can do with, for and through a man who is completely yielded to him. Martin Luther King Jr. said if a man hasn’t discovered something that he will die for he is not fit to live”. Jesus Christ said it is finished. Because he had seen why he was on Earth; “This is the reason why the son of God is made manifest, to destroy the work of the devil I ask you again what do

you see?

A man who cannot see himself in the light of God plan is a time bomb going somewhere the explode. Acts 9:1-10 gave us clue of how Paul the Apostle was busy working against heavenly vision because he has not discover it “you do not determine God’s plan for your life, you discover it – Dr. David Oyedepo. Paul said that he was separated from his mother’s womb but from what we read in Acts 9:1-10 he has not discover it. That is why he is busy putting people into bondage and ordering his subordinate to stone some to death. Are you adding value to lives, planets and nature? Or are you subtracting value from them?

The three fold ministry of Satan is to steal, kill and destroy, Jn. 10:10. Satan fourth ministry is to blind fold people so that they can live below God’s plan for their lives 2Cor . 4:3-4; Jer. 29:11. Where there is no vision people perish. I pray that you will not perish you will not loose your life. Whatever the devil has stolen in your life I command it to be restore in hundred fold in Jesus Name. Amen!

Pray this prayer: open the eyes of my understanding o Lord. Eph. 1:18.

What is worst than been blind is to have eyes and not to see Helen Keller. You look at things the way they are physically with your eyes. But to see them the way they ought to be, you must see it with you inner eyes the bible said there is a spirit in man the inspiration of Almighty give him understanding, Job. 32:8.

This will also lead us to four types of sight that is known to man.

- 1) **Insight:** by definition insight is the ability to see and understand clearly the inner nature of things, especially by intuition. Insight also gives you the opportunity to look inwardly and see the things that are in you and which you desire for God to do.
- 2) **Foresight:** it can be defined as, the foreseeing. To see or know the beforehand. Prudent regard or provision for the future. Foresight helps you to create a map, a goal, and plan from where you are to where you want to go.
- 3) **Hindsight:** it is the ability to see, after event, what should have been done. Hindsight will make you appreciate what has been done in the past.
- 4) **Far sight:** it is the ability to plan ahead, provident. Seeing distant object more clearly than near ones. Fare sight helps you, not only to expect your present needs to be met or the needs of a couple of days but with far sight you are able to look down the journey of life and express great expectations.

WHAT VISION IS AND WHAT VISION IS NOT

Vision can be defined as the following

1. The power of seeing
2. Something seen in a dream, or trance etc or supernaturally revealed
3. The ability to perceive or foresee something, as through mental acuteness. Vision is a discovery of God's original divine plan for your life and subsequently pursuing it until there is a manifestation – Pastor Matthew Ashimolowo.

Vision is the power of foresight based on insight with the benefit of hindsight – George Barna.

Understanding what you are born to fulfill, a particular course. A discovery of that course is what is called vision. "Vision, therefore, can be defined as the unfolding of a divine plan as it related to a nation, or group of people or an individual – Dr. David Oyedepo

Vision: The ability to see farther than your physical eyes can look to see not just what is but also what can be and to make it a reality "vision is a conception that is inspired by God in the heart of a human – Dr. Myles Munroe.

Remember vision is your eye of understanding via which you see the future and your unique calling.

Thomas Carlyle said, "A man without purpose is like a ship without a rudder". The philosopher Seneca said, "If a man knows not what harbor he seeks any wind is the right wind".

A man without a vision is like a bird without wings. Rev. Sam Adeyemi.

WHAT VISION IS NOT

- 1) Vision is not competition
- 2) Vision is not imitation, because imitation is limitation John Mason
- 3) Vision is not ambition. Ambition is to work hard to fulfill your own plan. But the vision from God is a divine plan or God's purpose for your life. Example of ambition in the bible is a young man called Absalom who sat on his father David's throne when he is still alive. The young man Absalom died before his time. Ecc. 3:1 says there is time for everything under the sun and season for every purpose.
- 4) Vision is not seeing an angel or an apparition.

Bishop Oyedepo said in his word, that "the word vision" has been so grossly misunderstood today in the church that virtually every dream of the night is mistaken for a vision. On the other hand the "spiritualist" churches use "vision as their principal bait to secure fellowship. Everyone of their "prophet" claim to see "vision" for people. Multitude

s today are chasing after the shadows through their “traps”.

EFFECTS OF VISION

- 1) Vision give you voice while living and after you are dead. There is a story about when Disney world had just opened and had only one ride. Walt Disney was sitting on a bench on the ground, seeing to just stare into space. One of his workers, who was manicuring the grass, came past him and said, “how are you, sir?” “Without looking at the man, he said “fine”, and kept on staring. So the man said, “Mr. Disney, what are you doing?” “I’m looking at my mountain”, he answered. “ I see the mountain right there” walt told his architects about this mountain. As he talked, they wrote down what he said, and then they drew up the plans. Walt died before Space Mountain was built, so he never saw it constructed. When Space Mountain was dedicated, the governor and mayor were present, and walt’s widow was also there. One of the young me stood up to introduce her, one said, “it is a pity Mr. Walt Disney is not here to see this mountain, but we are glad his wife is here”.

Mrs. Disney walked up to the podium, looked at the crowd, and said, in effect, “ I must correct this young man. Walt already saw the mountain it is you who are now seeing it”.

- It was vision of flight that inspired the Wright brothers to invent the airplane.
 - It was the vision of light that impacted Thomas Edison to invent the light bulb.
 - It was the vision of a desk-sized computer that motivated Stephen Jobs to invent the desktop computer.
 - It was the vision of giving every person access to people friendly software that inspired and possessed bill gates to develop and invent the Microsoft global empire.
- 2) Vision will impart in you a unique passion. Observe Geroge Mueller the man who spent all his life ruining an orphanage in Bristol, England. It may not excite other people but that was his passion. Seeing those children fed daily by faith and leading them to grow in grace of Christ was enough to encourage Mr. Muller
 - It was vision that made Dr. Kenneth Hagin resign from a comfortable pastorate to start a bible school of faith in a little known town called Tula, Oklahoma.
 - It is the same kind of vision that oral Roberts have a passion to build a university though he never went to one. His own limitation did not stop what he was able to achieve.
 - Benny Hinn was once a stammerer but was on whenever he saw the sight of the sick. He was turned on with a passion to see them whole.

- 3) Vision impart you with hope for the future and in the midst of despair
- 4) Vision adds direction into your life like a compass.
- 5) Vision guides your life like a rudder of a ship, to navigate.
- 6) Vision provides endurance in tribulation
- 7) Vision adds meaning to your life
- 8) Vision motivates the discouraged
- 9) Vision reveals your potential.
- 10) Vision makes you original

SOURCE OF VISION

God is a perfect manufacturer. And he created you; determine your end before you even begin it. God is a good father, and it is not His intention to leave you (His Son) into confusion about His plan for your life. Vision is a major means or channel by which God communicate His plan in to your heart. It may be through verbalization or pictorial or graphic representation.

HOW TO TEST THE AUTHENTIC OF VISION

- Watch your heart if there is peace in there. Ps. 85; 8: Phil. 4:6-7
- Subject it to God's word. Num. 23:19.
- Human witness. But this is not always true compare to the above two. Deu. 19:15
Matt. 18:19-20; 2Cor. 13:1

HOW TO RECEIVE VISION

We have established the fact that God is the source vision.

1. Ask in prayer. Matt. 7:7-8; James 1:5-8.
2. Through meditation. Jos. 1:8; Ps. 1:2, 39:3; Gen. 24:63.
3. Thought Holy Spirit. 1 Cor. 2:9-16; Jn. 16:13; Job. 32:8.

WHAT TO DO WITH VISION

After you have ascertain the authenticity of your vision you must be totally obedient to it. "so then king Agrippa, I was disobedient to the vision from heaven, Acts. 26:19". Please read gently the following scripture verses.

I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts: I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint.

Then the Lord replied: "Write down the revelation and make it plan on tablets so that a herald may run with it.

For the revelation waits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false, though it linger, wait for it, it will certainly come and will not delay. Habakkuk 21:3.

1. **Vision must be documents**

Verse 2 of the above Bible text said write the revelation. Revelation and vision are used interchangeably in the Bible. The Greek word for revelation is apokalyptein; apocalypse which in English it means something “disclose”. It is like something that was covered before that nobody know what is hidden in it, but that is suddenly unveil or reveal. So whatever vision God has transmitted to you must be written with pen or a paper. One of mankind great discoveries is the ability to document things. It is said that, “A short pencil is better than a long memory”. What you take time to write down there is chance that you will commit yourself to it. When vision is written it increase your hope, preparation and more importantly to plan for it. One of the qualities of leadership is vision – ability to see the right place, future and good things and to take the followers down there. If you can’t see it, you can’t get it. Idea they said rules the word and somebody without idea is a slave of those that have and is the poorest person on earth.

A man without or clearly written vision will be a slave of other people’s opinions and visions. Progress in life is made by the picture you have painted, the picture you have seen.

2. **Make it plain on tablets**

Vision from God is not ambiguous. It is very clear and not vague. Your vision must be clearly written so that it empowers you to pursue a desired tomorrow. Imagine a journey of 500kilometers by road, if you do not have the road signs clearly marked out, it will take you a longer time to arrive at your destination. “One of the beautiful things about living in London, a city with over 90,000 roads, streets, cul-de-sacs, mews, high street etc. is the road map and the fact that every road is clearly indicated along with the name of the road, street, mews, cul-de-sac etc.

It is much easier when you use a GPS (Global Satellite Positions System). Once you have one of such in your car, you can go anywhere in London and in a matter of time you will arrive at your destination. Therefore, being guided by the GPS you start from one end of the city of London, you end on the other one, precisely where you want to be.

3. **Run it.** One of Isaac Newton law of motions say: All objects in life assumed the state of rest, except a force is apply. You cannot carry a divinely birthed vision and sit down like a lazy man. It will birth passion to pursue it in you. Once you are sure the time is right, you have to rise and pursue it relentlessly.

4. **Vision is for appointed time**

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven. Ec

c. 3:1. God is so conscious of time that he said to Abraham in Genesis chapter 15 that his fourth generation will be enslaved for four hundred years in Egypt. There is time to sow.

There is three major time phases about vision that is very important.

- a. **Conception time:** It is when the vision is planted into the soil of your heart.
- b. **Incubation time:** To develop, as by planning. It is like when hen sits on eggs before it can be hatch. Even the spirit of God hover on the face of manifested. This simply talks about meditation – to think Deeply”. He went out to the field one evening to meditate. Gen. 24:63.

My heart grew hot within me, and as I mediated, the fire burned, and then I spoke with my tongue’s 39:3. Continue to meditate on your vision so that it can be established and firm, not moved by any evil situation within your heart.

- c. **Delivery time:** Women normally carry pregnant for nine months there about before they finally give birth. This phase of life is a very sensitive time.

When the fruit ripe or mature farmer have to rush in to pluck it on the tree to preserved it from decadence. “There is a measure of time that a gold must stay in a fire before it is pure, else it will destroy. “Be sensitive life is in phases, men are in sizes.

- 5. **It speaks of the end.** Largely vision speaks about an end. I make known the end from beginning from ancient times, what is still to come. I say my purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please Isaiah 46:10.

In Genesis chapter 37 verse 2 to 9 Joseph was 17years old when he dream of his future enthronement that will happen or fulfilled 13years thereafter. Genesis 41:46 says: Joseph was thirty years old when he entered the service of Pharaoh King of Egypt. “The vision that you are carrying on your heart now is the exact picture of your end”.

- 6. **Vision from God will not lie.**

God is not a man that he shall lie Numbers 23:19. God can never lie. Hear what he said to His Prophet Ezekiel the word of the Lord came to me: son of man, what’s this proverb you have in the land of Israel: the days go by and every vision comes to nothing? Say to them this is what the sovereign Lord says: I am going to put an end to this proverb and they will no longer quote it in Israel. Say to them. The days are near when every vision will be fulfilled for there will be no more false visions or flattering divinations among the people of Israel. But, I the Lord will speak what I will and it shall be fulfilled without delay for in your days you rebellious house I will fulfill whatever I say, declares the sovereign Lord:

the word of the Lord came to me son of man, the house of Israel is saying.

The vision he sees is for many years from now, and he prophesies about the distant future. Therefore say to them: None of my words will be delayed any longer, whatever I say will be fulfilled, declares the sovereign Lord. Ezekiel 12:21-28. Believe in your vision.

FOUR W'S OF VISION

1. What? What should I do and become. God will show you what you should, but ask Him.
2. How? Talks about strategy or how to get it done. "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go". Ps. 32:8.
3. When? Talks about the time factor. Be sensitive to divine timing. John 7:4, 9:4.
4. Where? Talks about location or place of the fulfillment of the vision. There is right place for everybody on earth. The right vision is always connected also to the right place, that is the appropriate place to be for your vision to become fulfilled. Mangos do not grow in Europe, apple don't grow in African, particularly in sub-Saharan African. It would be the right fruit planted in the wrong place. Peter was sent to Jews, while Paul was sent to Gentiles.

The word of the Lord came to him – Elijah. "Go to at once to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have commanded a widow in that place to supply you with food. I Kings 17:8-9.

CHAPTER 5 DISPENSATION OF SERVICE

“The measure of life is not its duration, but its donation. Everyone can be great because everyone can serve” (Peter Marshall).

“It is more blessed to give than to receive.” Act. 20:35.

Whatever you have or received, it was gift from God to you. Because no one can receive anything except it is given from above.

“Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1:17. It is now your responsibility to serve humanity through your gifts, talents and abilities that you discovered through your purpose that was planted into the soil of your heart by God who is the creator of all creatures and revealed to you through vision. Life is all about giving. If you don't know how to give you are not yet really living. Dead sea was dead because it kept receiving from other sources but refused to give out. If you carefully observe plants and animals kingdom, you will discover that they usually live by giving. Plants give oxygen to the animals while animals give carbon dioxide to the plants for their survival. If plants refuse to give out oxygen to the animal, it will die. And the same things happen to the plants if animals refuse to give carbon dioxide to the plants. The same principle applies to human beings. For instance if you eat pounded yam and vegetable and you so much enjoyed it and you decided not to excrete it out after some hours it becomes toxic in your body system. If you stop giving you start decaying. You can only give through service. Prepare your heart to serve, because serving others is one of life's most awesome privileges. “The only ones among you who will really be happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.” Said Albert Schweitzer.

Look for the good point in people.

Always bear this in mind that what good thing you do to people, they will do it in your own case. So then whatever you desire that others would do to and for you, even so do also to and for them, for this is (sums up) the law and prophets, Matthew 7:12 (AMP).

“Service is the path way to greatness”.

Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her and, kneeling down, asked a favour of Him. “What is it you want?” He asked. She said, “Grant that one of these two sons of mine may sit at your right and the other at your left in your kingdom”. “You don't know what you are asking”, Jesus said to them. “Can you drink the cup I am going to drink?” “We can they answered”. Jesus said to them, “you will indeed drink from m

my cup, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared by my father”.

When the ten heard about this they were indignant with the two brothers. Jesus called them together and said “you know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you, instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave just as the son of man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many”. Matthew 20:20-28.

Jesus Christ the greatest among those that have pass through this planet does not come to occupy sit, but came to serve and gave his life for many to live. “until you find what to die for, you are not yet living. Jesus gave up his life, so that you and I can live. What will you give? The life that is not worth dying for, is not worth living for!

Therefore, Jesus is our example or mentor in the school service we have to look unto him. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus the author and perfecter of our faith, who for joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrew 12:2.

True leadership begins with servant hood Harry Fordick said, “one of the most amazing things ever said on earth is Jesus’ statement, “he that is greatest among you shall be your servant”. “None have one chance in a billion of being thought of as really great century after they’re gone except those who have been servants of all”.

Let this same attitude and purpose and (humble) mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus: (let him be your example in humility) Philippians 2:5. (Amp). Attitude it is said determine your altitude, not aptitude. Therefore, it is very important to always think on how you can serve. This is the acid test of serving God, you serve God by serving human being because everyman is an extension of God. Matt. 25:31-40. Nobody cares how much you know until they know how much you care. (John cassis).

COST OF SERVICE

1. Time: the greatest gift in life is time use it wisely Ecc. 3:1.
2. Energy: It is God’s gift to you. Deu. 8:18.
3. Heart: This is the core of your life Eph. 6:5-6
4. Your resource: Pro. 3:9-10; 3:27-28.
5. Total obedience: Sam. 15:1-26.

It is said that, life a lot like the game of tennis those who don’t serve well end up losing. Never reach out your hand unless you are willing to extend an arm and your heart.

ADVANTAGES OF SERVING EPH. 6:7-8

1. It increase you according to the law of sowing and reaping, whatever you sow in life will not come back in the same measure it was sown but multiply. Service is the best way to maximize your potential. Luke 6:38. It gives you voice even when you are dead. Heb. 11:4.
2. It increases your enjoy
3. It perfect and beautify you
4. It gives you people credibility
5. It increases your level of confidence

DISADVANTAGES OF SERVING

1. Criticism: people are fun of saying bad things about what they don't know the motive behind. Your good work plus motive will speak for you even when you are not there.

Did you ever hear the story about the farmer failing the rising flood waters? The sheriff's van came by and offered to rescue the farmer from his porch, but the farmer said, "No I'm putting faith in the Lord. He all save me" the sheriff left, and the flood forced the farmer up onto his roof.

A man with a boat came by, but the farmer said, "I will be fine. The Lord will take care of me" after the rising water forced the farmer stop the chimney, a helicopters flew over, but the farmer waved it off, citing the same reason.

He drowned and went to heaven where angrily, he confronted Saint Peter. "What happened? The farmer asked. "I put my trust in the Lord to save me, and I drowned". Saint Peter replied, "What do you expect? We sent Sheriff, a boat and a helicopter, how come you refused all this help God sent to you?"

The farmer would have live better had he not be thinking in such absolute terms. He failed to receive the helps of his rescuers with his trust in the Lord. God will help you through is beings, don't miss judge their motives.

For unto whomsoever much is given of him shall be much required: and to who men have committed much, they will ask the more. Luke 12:48 (kjb). Keep serving. Just do it:

SUMMARY

How far you can see in life, is how far you can go. Seeing precede possession. Looking have to do with natural or physical eyes while seeing connect with your inner eyes or insight. One major attribute of successful people is that they know how to think throughout every aspect of their work and their lives, and then developing a detailed, written road map that will to get them to where they wanted to go. God have a purpose f

or your life, which you must discover thought vision-clear picture of your future or end. After you must carefully and diligently write it down on a paper. Written purpose turn to plan, which you must carry around to wherever you are going to. And also consult on whatever you want to do, if it correlate with your written vision. In another word the vision you have written down a paper turn to plan and carrying the plan around for clarity, absolutely make it your road map-a drawing of an area showing some kind of special feature, for example the types of rocks, weather, population etc. obedient to the road map make your journey in life to be very easy. And it will also give you clearer direction to your destination in life. As far as you can see shall be giving to you. God will open your eyes to see better.