

Key Scripture:

Proverbs 29:18 Message

If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves;
 But when they attend to what He reveals, they are most blessed.

Vision Is Seeing God's Point of View

Matthew 16:21-28 NLT

21 From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law.

He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead.

22 But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things.

"Heaven forbid, Lord," he said. "This will never happen to you!"

23 Jesus turned to Peter and said, ***"Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God's."***

Different Points of View

- ✓ **Your** point of view
- ✓ **Satan's** point of view
- ✓ **God's** point of view

See What God Sees

Revelation 12:11 NLT

And they have defeated him by the ***blood of the Lamb*** and by ***their testimony***.
 And they did not love their lives so much that they were afraid to die.

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Seeing God's Point of View

1. Start

Matthew 16:16-18 NIV

16 Simon Peter answered, ***"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."***

17 Jesus replied, ***"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."***

2. Sanctify

1 Peter 3:15 NIV

But ***in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord***. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

But do this with gentleness and respect,

Matthew 16:24 NLT

Then Jesus said to his disciples, ***"If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross, and follow me."***

- ✓ **Self-Denial...** ***you must turn from your selfish ways***
- ✓ **Daily Cross...** ***take up your cross***
- ✓ **Stay Close...** ***follow me.***

3. Susceptible

Matthew 16:25-26 NLT

25 If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. ***But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.*** 26 And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?

4. Serve

Matthew 16:27 CEV

The Son of Man will soon come in the glory of his Father and with his angels ***to reward all people for what they have done.***

Matthew 16:28 Message

This isn't pie in the sky by and by. Some of you standing here are going to ***see it take place, see the Son of Man in kingdom glory.***"

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