

VISION - THE PASSION OF VISUALIZING YOUR DREAM

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Every person has his own dream, his own ambition, his own goal and his own passion in life. These are all tantamount to having a vision in life. The motivation that a person has inside of him will serve as an assurance of what an individual wants in his life. That great burning desire inside you is the passion that will help a person envision his dream. Yes, visualize your dream, and know what you want to happen in the future. "Passion, according to John C. Maxwell, is a critical element for anyone who wants to achieve a dream. It is the starting point of all achievement." It will help us overcome the adversities of life and gives us the initiative to pursue that dream, achieve and accomplish it.

According to Webster, "Unusual wisdom is foreseeing what is going to happen." A vision is a picture of what we like to create, to see and happen in our life in the future. You can describe it as if it were happening now. It shows and maneuvers us to where we would want to go in the next few years. It is trying to see what we will be like when we get there. We create a clear vision that represents our desired future, hence creating and envisioning a picture of the future.

We must remember that all successful leaders have a vision for their businesses, organization or teams. This is the most important leadership trait for a successful leader to have. They wouldn't be leaders if it were not so. A vision provides a driving force that could easily be integrated and applied to their decision-making. It can be a major motivator making it an authentic vision that comes from your soul and touches the heart. If a team is emotionally moved by their vision, they can have the strength and power to overcome the ups and downs in whatever their business will encounter. Vision also defines a desired future. Unlike goals, but similar to a mission, vision has no deadline, meaning no "by when." You can put it as a precise response to the query, "Where are we heading this year?" or as lofty as "If we could develop exactly the kind of company we wanted, what would it be like?" Goals and objectives are essential but for an effective growth and development, our values and vision must be prioritized.

Our vision will serve as our long term goal. It can embrace your business and your personal life. It is like building your business of a "\$10 million asset" that you can sell when you get to be 60 and retire to a beach house in Boracay. It is actually creating a value that you can pass on to your children. It can be deeply personal for that matter. Great leaders may be charismatic, but for them to be successful, they must have and be able to communicate and inspire others through their vision. So, let us dream and have its realization by having a VISION in life.

Questions for discussion:

- 1. How can setting your goal lead to having your vision achieved?
- 2.What is your vision in life?
- 3.Can you have a clear vision even if you have a clogged mind? How or why not?
- 4. How can you envision reliving your dream through having a clear vision?
- 5. Does attaining a clear vision lead to the road of success? Explain your answer.