

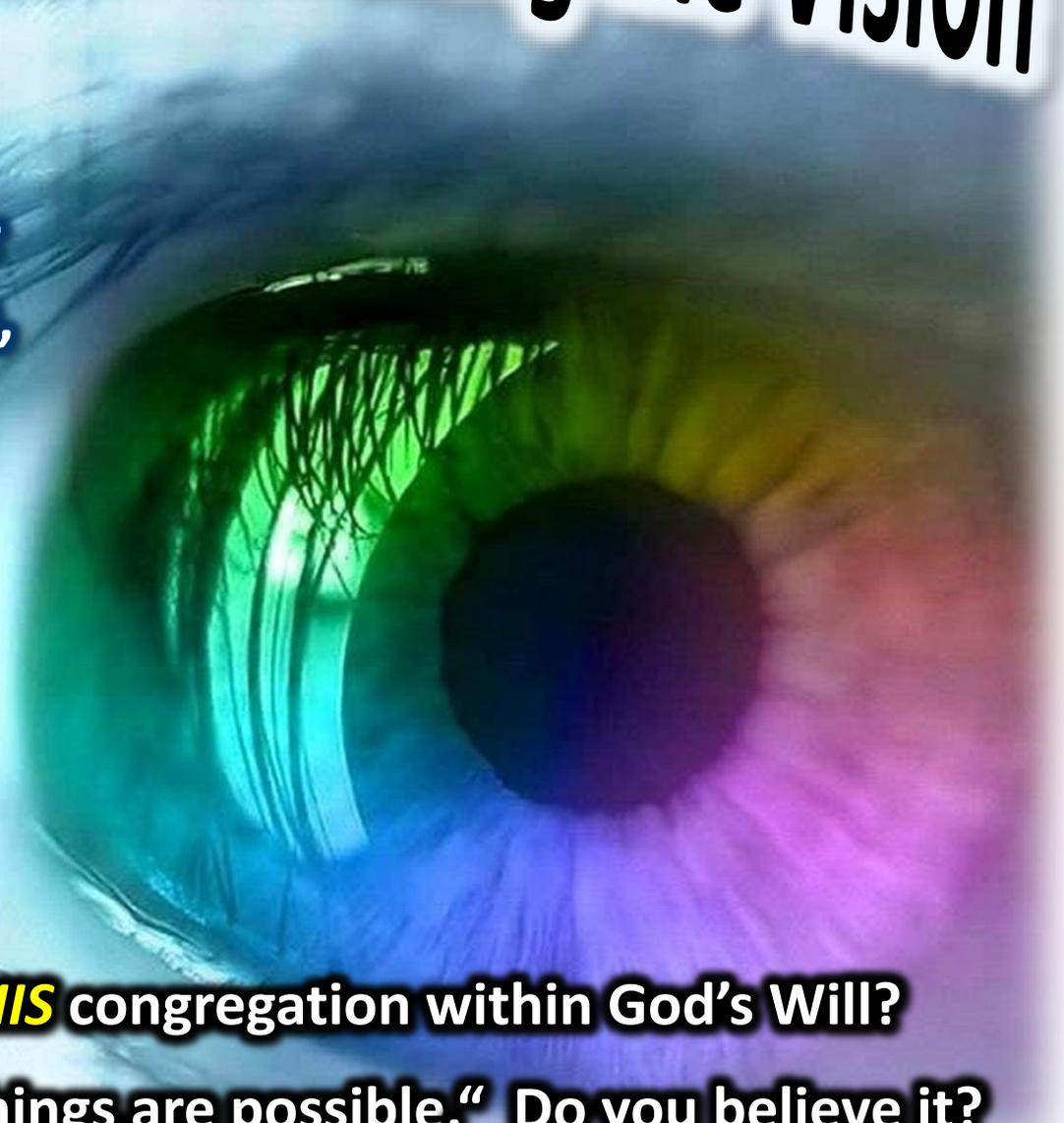
Dreaming the Dream & Seeing the Vision

Joel 2:28 “It will come about after this... that your old men will **dream** dreams, Your young men will see **visions.**” NAS

“To see visions and to dream dreams are in biblical thought ways of receiving **divine revelation.**” UBS

What is possible for **THIS** congregation within God’s Will?

Matt 19:26 “With **God** all things are possible.” Do you believe it?



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We need to have a clear idea of where we are going.

You can't share the vision with others if you don't know what it is yourself.

Hag 1:8 "Go up to the mountains, bring wood and rebuild the temple, that I may be pleased with it and be *glorified*," says the Lord.

We need to build the *Temple* of God (1 Cor 3:16; Eph 2:21)

Haines Highway, Valley of the Eagles

5 Things Needed for Success

1. **Proper Vision** : (Hos 4:6) Where there is no vision the people perish

2. **Personal Involvement** : (Eph 4:16) Held together by that which each joint supplies.

3. **Persevere in the race**: (Heb 12:1)
When you threaten Satan's kingdom He throws obstacles.

4. **Good Leadership**: (1 Tim 5:17) No group will rise above its leaders who scripturally challenge the group.

5. **Power of Unity**: (Col 1:28c) Each member blessing the other by being complete in Christ.



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"Life begins at the end of your comfort zone so do one thing everyday that scares you."

We can't be satisfied with the status quo. We need to think beyond where we are now, beyond what we've done in the past. We can worry about numbers, finances, inspections or have **Faith. (Mk 14:31) To Peter "O you of *little faith*. Why did you **doubt**?" If you're **green**, you're growing. If you're **ripe** you rot. (Ps 92:13-14)**

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We need to do more than just be holding our own.
That's a 0-sum game. It's **NOT** acceptable to God. (Mt 25:25)
We must not think "Holding Our Own" is acceptable to the Master!

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*Don't let life discourage you. Everyone
who got where he is had to begin
where he was*
Richard Evans

Don't sabotage

**our dreams by
making excuses:**

“That’s too idealistic.

“That won’t work.

“Nobody’s interested.

“That’s not really who I am.

To Discourage :

**Cause someone to
lose confidence or enthusiasm.**

Negative, belittling statements discourages workers (Neh 4:1-3)

A signpost with a weathered metal post and a white arrow-shaped sign pointing to the right. The word "SUCCESS" is written in large, bold, black capital letters on the sign. The background is a clear blue sky.

SUCCESS

occurs
when your DREAMS
get **BIGGER**
than your EXCUSES

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**IF YOUR DREAMS DON'T SCARE YOU...
THEY AREN'T BIG ENOUGH**

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**“If you don’t
DREAM BIG
there’s no use in Dreaming.”**

**“If you don’t HAVE FAITH
there’s no use in Believing.”**

Mark 9:23 All things are possible to him that *believes* .

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SEVEN PALL BEARERS OF THE CHURCH:
"WE'VE NEVER DONE IT THAT WAY BEFORE."



Just make sure it's **Scriptural**
1 Pet 4:11

***Some have lost the power to
dream GREAT dreams.***

***"Dream NO SMALL DREAMS for they
have no power to stir hearts of men."***

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

German statesman & writer

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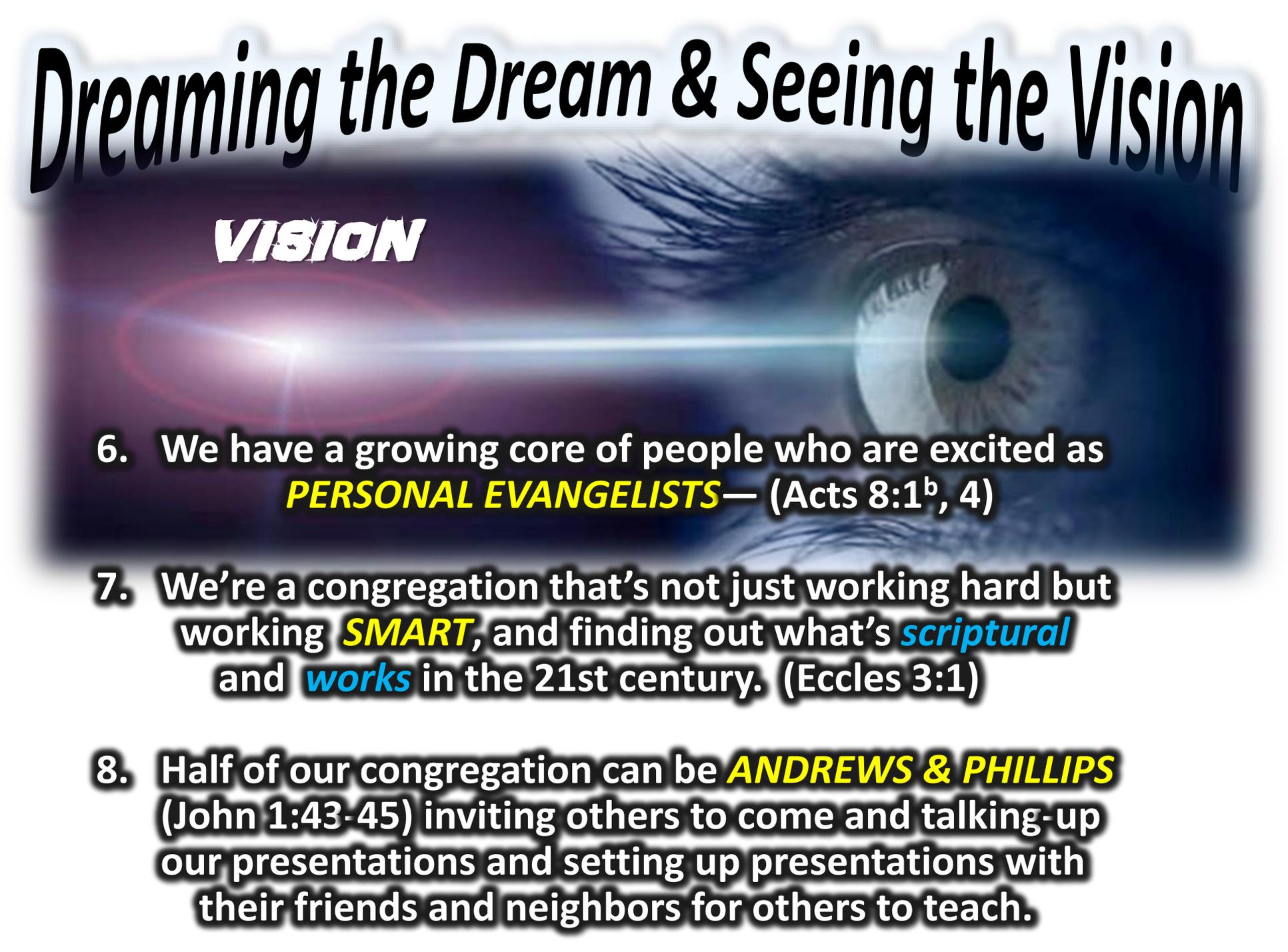
1. Be a **HEALTHY, VIBRANT, GROWING** church. (Acts 2:47)
That can Double in size in two years.
2. A congregation that is no longer in limbo about its **BUILDING**.
It's an effective tool to meet (Heb 10:25), centrally located,
easy to find & second largest city in Western Washington
with a population of over 200,000 ! It has everything we
need with over 10,000 square feet. It has a beautiful
auditorium, right size, affordable and found by
Christians with the Providence of God.

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3. We have a strong focus on **SPIRITUAL** GROWTH and **EVANGELISM** (1 Thes 1:8) not just to keep the doors open.
4. We're a church with an effective **WEBSITE** that has the spiritual resources to uplift, encourage, inform & invite others more and more as we MOVE THRU the digital age.
5. We can establish meaningful, 2-day "**INVITATION EVENTS**" Maybe 3 per year to increase visitor flow with intriguing subjects to which we can invite friends and neighbors— as a tool to find those seeking truth.

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6. We have a growing core of people who are excited as **PERSONAL EVANGELISTS**— (Acts 8:1^b, 4)
7. We're a congregation that's not just working hard but working **SMART**, and finding out what's **scriptural** and **works** in the 21st century. (Eccles 3:1)
8. Half of our congregation can be **ANDREWS & PHILLIPS** (John 1:43-45) inviting others to come and talking-up our presentations and setting up presentations with their friends and neighbors for others to teach.

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9. Our congregation offering a **leadership training** program, and a mentoring program to guide and serve the next generation. If the church grows, the leadership must grow with it if we're going to be successful.
 10. Our congregation **showing hospitality** to welcome new people while assimilating and teaching them until they they can duplicate themselves to God's glory. (2 Tim 2:2)

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**Vision isn't something
you set once & forget it.
You reset it again
and again.**

**Be careful, because if you don't stay focused vision becomes *blurry* .
Vision tends to "*leak*" especially when encountering difficulties.
Then the enthusiasm becomes cold. (2 Pet 1:9 ^a)**

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**We can afford to dream BIG —
because we have a *BIG God*.**

**I want to challenge you
to get out of your comfort
zone and go out on a limb —
because that's where the fruit is.**

**Only 3% of the population has
clear written goals for their lives.**

**But almost 100% of successful
people are in that 3%.**

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Please don't be a cynic
Believing it is possible is half the battle

believe

EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE FOR HIM WHO BELIEVES
MARK 9:23

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Dream as if you'll live forever.

Live as if you'll die today.”

James Dean - Actor