



Meeting Notes: Vision Casting (October 17, 2018)

Due to weather, we did not meet on October 10, 2018. These notes capture our October 17, 2018 meeting. We opened our meeting in prayer and then began our evening. Topic notes may not be in the order discussed during group, and they are not intended to cover everything. They are intended as highlights to capture the essence of our evening. General notes follow each discussion topic.

Current Vision: "Moving Forward: Getting Unstuck"

Scripture Reference: TBD

Discussion Topic: We picked up with the questions we left off with last week. Here are nuggets I wrote down along with additional insights:

- **What do we believe?** We each discussed what we say we believe about God in the areas we are stuck. As a result, each of us was able to define one key thing to work on as part of our personal vision of getting unstuck.
- **What does it look like?** By examining what we believe actually looks like in our daily lives, we were able to identify at least one reason we are stuck.
- **What does application look like?** We actually took one of our statements and used the whiteboard to help us see what application looks like. This exercise was confirmation to me for something the Lord had placed on my heart! For now ... **Takeaway.** Our getting unstuck hinders on our obedience. Our obedience hinders on our understanding of what it is we're supposed to do!

Whiteboard explained: The overall message of the whiteboard contrasts what happens when we are passive and when we are active when it comes to our faith. The statement "I'm waiting on God to fix me" is a passive statement. Yet, James 2:14-26 teaches us faith without works is dead. Thus, in order for our faith to be active, we have to have works that accompany our faith. John 6:28-29 teaches us to believe our work is to believe. Believe what? John 1:1, 14 teaches us Yeshua is the Word, that He became flesh and dwelt among us, and He is filled with grace and truth. In a previous study, we defined grace from Strong's Concordance as "divine influence on our heart to include gratitude." And, from our previous armor study, we know truth comes from the Word. Also, from Priscilla Shirer's Armor of God study we completed over the summer, we know thankfulness helps us trust, and trust leads to peace. Moreover, if we say we believe in Yeshua, our work is to renew our mind (put off the old man and put on the new) so what's in our mind matches what we say we believe. However, we also have to keep in mind how we receive the Word based on the parable of the sower and the seed. Are we facing God or are we facing our circumstances? This will determine the condition of the soil of our heart. If our heart is by the wayside, rocky, or thorny, we are

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facing away from God;¹ however, if our heart is good soil, we are facing God and our pure motives can result in immediate results. I actually was able to share an actual testimony of this! My testimony was a perfect example of being able to let go and let God! **Takeaway.** The power is in His grace and the transformation is in His truth!

Other nuggets: In addition to our personal revelations, we also noted the following:

- **Distractions.** They can come in many forms to include attacks on our health to keep us from doing what the Father wants us to do!
- **Identity.** A wrong view of our identity magnifies our insecurities.
- **Confidence.** What we perceive as our past mistakes and bad choices can impact our overall confidence.
- **Heart.** Our old wounds can stay fresh in our mind to still impact our heart.

Homework. Each one of us has something to do from our personal revelations to follow up on this week.

Next Meeting: We will continue to identify the full scope of our vision, continue defining what it looks like, and developing strategies for how to move forward in the things we say we believe.

Closing: We closed our meeting in with a time of worship and need-specific prayer for the challenges that were lifted up, for the group overall, and as the Holy Spirit led.

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¹ For an explanation of the two lameds, please see The Jewish Heart, (https://www.chabad.org/theJewishWoman/article_cdo/aid/424441/jewish/The-Jewish-Heart.htm).



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