



# GOD'S VISION FOR YOU & YOUR FAMILY.

Practically developing a vision and strategic plan for God's glory and your family's legacy..

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# VISION STARTS WITH ME...

Listen dads,

Lord willing, your children will surpass you in success, devotion, and following Christ. That's my prayer for my children. But that momentum will begin with your example. The proverbs liken children to a quicker full of arrows. Arrows can fly far and hit incredible targets, but they start in the hand and bow of someone with strength and aim.

Listen husbands,

Your wife longs for a man she can follow. She desires that when she has moments of failure and weakness, to have a man who, instead of blaming or acting in like manner, stands up and says, "Let me show you the better way" by taking responsibility, managing his temper, controlling his words, and modeling forgiveness, strength, and dependency on the Lord.



# SELF ASSESSMENT

As for me..." – Joshua 24:15

## Self-Assessment Questions

1. In what areas of my life am I setting a godly example for my family?
2. Where do I need to grow spiritually before I can lead effectively?
3. What spiritual disciplines (prayer, Bible study, fasting, etc.) am I currently practicing? Which ones do I need to develop?
4. Am I leading with integrity, or am I expecting my wife and children to follow a standard I do not uphold myself?

## Practical Steps

- Choose one specific spiritual discipline to strengthen over the next month. Write it down:
  - *Example: "I will wake up 30 minutes early to pray before my family wakes up."*
- Identify one habit that is hindering your walk with Christ and commit to addressing it.
  - *Example: "I will put filters on my phone to avoid temptation and accountability software."*
- Find an accountability partner to help keep you on track.

Name them: \_\_\_\_\_

## Scripture Reference:

1 Timothy 4:16 – "Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you."

# RADICAL OWNERSHIP

Your wife and children are not someone else's responsibility to disciple and lead. Yes, it takes a community at times. Thank God that he brings pastors, teachers, coaches, and others into our lives to help develop us, but recognize that when God sees your family, he sees them as YOUR family, not someone else's.

Sometimes, we tell ourselves that we need to let our family feel it for themselves and hope for the best. However, passive husbanding and passive fathering only lead to bad habits. Drifting is the natural direction in which human beings flow without leadership.

Radical ownership IS NOT overbearing control but rather a loving example. Ownership is not merely creating boundaries but cultivating soil for growth.



# SELF ASSESSMENT

And my house..." – Joshua 24:15

## Self-Assessment Questions

- How am I currently discipling my wife and children?
- Am I relying on the church to spiritually lead my family instead of taking responsibility myself?
- What are some ways I have been passive in leading my family spiritually?
- Do I view my family as my greatest treasure and legacy, or as a responsibility to manage?

## Practical Steps

- Commit to a specific way to spiritually lead your wife this week:
  - *Example: "I will pray over my wife each night before bed."*
- Commit to a way to spiritually invest in your children this week:
  - *Example: "I will read a short Bible passage with my kids at dinner and ask one discussion question."*
- List one area where you need to take radical ownership in leading your family: \_\_\_\_\_

## Scripture Reference:

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 – "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

# REQUIRING RESOLVE

As men, we must be willing to see our commitments, promises, and vision through to fruition. Joshua didn't say, "We might serve the Lord when it's convenient." No, he made up his mind about the position and priority the LORD would have in His family's life.

Again, you can't force independent human beings to know to accept Jesus. That has to be a personal decision. Your children and your wife will still have to make active, independent decisions to obey and choose the Lord. But you can set standards and guidelines about the tone of your household and familial priorities: What will be allowed that honors God, and what will be expelled? Where church involvement and attendance will stand as a family priority. How will your family interact with people outside the home and the church? Get some godly goals, stick to your guns, and be consistent.



# SELF ASSESSMENT

"We WILL serve..." – Joshua 24:15

## Self-Assessment Questions

- Have I clearly communicated spiritual expectations for my family, or have I assumed they will figure it out?
- Do I model consistency in my faith, or do I change based on circumstances?
- Am I leading with godly conviction, or am I compromising under cultural pressure?

## Practical Steps

- Set a family standard that aligns with biblical values.
  - *Example: "As a family, we will be at church together every Sunday and prioritize worship over sports or other activities."*
- Identify one non-negotiable biblical value for your household:
  - *Example: "In our house, we will always tell the truth, even when it's hard."*
- Pray for perseverance from the Holy Spirit.

## Scripture Reference:

1 Corinthians 9:24-26 – "Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it. And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown. Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air."



# EXPRESSING A DESTINATION

Men, do you have a spiritual destination that leads to a spiritual destiny for you and your family? Joshua's destination for his family was "serving the Lord." That end goal would drive his priorities and decision-making process from that point forward.

Why is a destination so important? Because children won't automatically drift into a relationship with God. Because value structures will be built around where you're headed. Because time is short and you only have one life to make an impact.

What do destinations look like? They don't always have to be grandiose. In fact, sometimes, it's the smallest destinations that make the most significant difference. Look where you'd like to see your family spiritually and start making some maps!



# SELF ASSESSMENT

"Serve the Lord." – Joshua 24:15

## Self-Assessment Questions

- What kind of legacy do I want to leave for my children?
- If I continue leading my family as I am now, where will we be spiritually in 5 years?
- Do I have a clear spiritual destination for my family, or am I leading aimlessly?

## Practical Steps

- Write a Family Vision Statement (1-3 sentences) outlining your commitment to leading your family toward a godly destination.
  - *Example: "Our family will serve the Lord by prioritizing faith, prayer, and obedience to Christ. We will love and serve others and stand firm in biblical truth."*
- Identify one spiritual destination for your family this year:
  - *Example: "We will memorize one Bible verse together each month."*
- Set one family tradition that reinforces faith:
  - *Example: "We will take one Saturday each month to serve in our community together."*

## Scripture References:

Proverbs 29:18 – "Where there is no vision, the people perish; but he that keepeth the law, happy is he."

Luke 9:51 – "Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem."



## FINAL COMMITMENT

Pray and ask God for wisdom, strength, and endurance as you commit to leading your family spiritually.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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"A man by his sin may waste himself, which is to waste that which on earth is most like God. This is man's greatest tragedy and God's heaviest grief."

-A.W. Tozer,  
Man: The Dwelling Place of God