

Visions and Revelations Message 9: “The Apostles Peter, Paul, and John”

In this message Titus talked about three key brothers and the visions they saw. One was Paul, one was Peter, and one was John. Titus said of them, “So, see three case. One is like a bomb. ‘POW! I see something’. One is like, ‘yeah, I saw something but it’s not clearly’. One is, ‘I don’t even seemingly see anything, but for some reason I keep on seeing it’”. With Paul, his vision was a very powerful one that caused him to do a 180 turn, and transformed the way he lived the rest of his life. With Peter, his visions seemed to come in pieces. He had a vision of Jesus being “the Christ, the son of the living God” (Matthew 16:16), and later a vision about the gospel going to the Gentiles (Acts). He was not always clear in his visions, but nevertheless they impacted the way that he lived his life. John seemingly did not have any visions until the end of his life. However, he had many experiences with the Lord both while Jesus was alive as well as after he resurrected. These experiences caused him to be able to say, “That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life” (1 John 1:1). This verse shows that John, with or without visions, had an intimate relationship with our dear Lord and savior.

How does this apply to us? One of the biggest takeaways from these three examples is that God reveals Himself to us in many different ways. The question we have to ask ourselves is how do we react to what the Lord has shown us? Do we see something and think, “Wow! That’s amazing!”, and then just go on living life the way we want? Or do we allow it to affect the way we live our lives? If what we see does not change the way we live, then it may be all for naught. Lord, make us a people who you are able to reveal yourself to daily! We pray that what we see of you impacts how we live our lives!