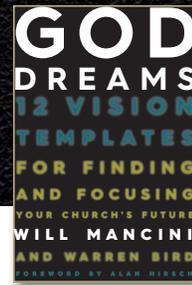




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Recommended Prayers and Related Scriptures

Praise God and Ask Him to Receive the Vision Process Work as an Act of Worship

- **God created us to multiply, fill and have dominion the earth as co-representatives with Him** - So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." (Genesis 1:27-28)
- **Jesus promised he would build his church** - And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. (Matthew 16:18)
- **God's love endures to all generations** - For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. (Psalm 100:5; read the entire Psalm)

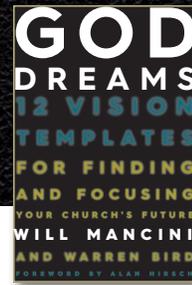
Pray for Increasing Dependence on the Lord

- **Confess our inability to do vision work in our own power** - I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)
- **Seek humility by confessing individual and corporate pride and asking him to purge the team of potential agendas** - In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." (1 Peter 5:5)
- **Acknowledge that the future belongs to the Lord and that everything we plan is "as he wills"** - Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money." Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." (James 4:13-15)





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Ask God to Give the Team Supernatural Wisdom, as He Promised

- **Beg for his wisdom to come generously to the entire group** - If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. (James 1:5-6)
- **Ask the Holy Spirit to guide thoughts and dialogue** - But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. (John 16:13)
- **Pray for the ability to listen well to one another** - My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry... (James 1:19) Fools find no pleasure in understanding but delight in airing their own opinions. (Proverbs 18:2)

Pray for Results so Significant that Only God Can Get the Credit

- **Engage Paul's prayer for the Ephesian church and ask God to expand our imagination and "blow our minds"** - For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family[a] in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:14-21)
- **If your church is in decline or suffering from a difficult situation, you may consider the context of exile and the words of hope from Jeremiah** - This is what the Lord says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord, "and will bring you back from captivity..." (Jeremiah 29:10-14)

