

## Reclaiming Faith Part 5: Vision For My Life

*"This Good News tells us how God makes us right in his sight. **This is accomplished from start to finish by faith.** As the Scriptures say, "It is through faith that a righteous person has life."  
Romans 1:17 NLT*

*"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, **in view of God's mercy...**" Romans 12:1 NIV*

### ✓ He opens our eyes.

*"They know the truth about God because he has made it **obvious** to them. For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can **clearly see** his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God."  
Romans 1:19-20 NLT*

### ✓ He credits us with righteousness.

*"The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, **but also for us**, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead." Romans 4:22-24 NIV*

### ✓ He sets us free from sin.

*"Sin is **no longer your master**, for you no longer live under the requirements of the law. Instead, you live under the freedom of God's grace." Romans 6:14 NLT*

### ✓ He predestines us to live for His glory.

*"For God's **gifts** and his **call** can never be withdrawn." Romans 11:29 NLT*

*"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy **give your bodies to God** because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. **This is truly the way to worship him.**" Romans 12:1 NIV/NLT*

### 1. We give our lives to God as worship.

*"For everything comes from him and exists by his power and is **intended for his glory.**"  
Romans 11:36 NLT*

"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God **transform** you into a new person by **changing** the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect." Romans 12:2 NLT

## **2. We get rid of our sinful way of life.**

**"Don't just pretend** to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other."  
Romans 12:9-10 NLT

"Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your **evaluation** of yourselves, **measuring** yourselves by the faith God has given us. Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a **special function**, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. In his grace, God has given us **different gifts** for doing certain things well." Romans 12:3-6 NLT

## **3. We grow into the people God desires.**

"When God's people are in need, **be ready** to help them. Always **be eager** to practice hospitality."  
Romans 12:13 NLT

"So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, **speak out** with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, **serve them well**. If you are a teacher, **teach well**. If your gift is to encourage others, **be encouraging**. If it is giving, **give generously**. If God has given you leadership ability, **take the responsibility seriously**. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, **do it gladly**." Romans 12:6-8 NLT

## **4. We go after God's plan.**

"Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good." Romans 12:21 NLT

"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore **go** and **make disciples** of all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and **teaching them to obey** everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."" Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

### **In view of God's mercy we live a Great Commission life.**

We live a life of worship, transformation, redemption, and serving.

We exist to know God, find freedom, discover purpose, and to make a difference.

We want to see the lost saved, the saved pastored, the pastored trained, and the trained mobilized.