



# ELDERS DISCIPLESHIP NOTES VISION

## Elders Discipleship Group 11

**Purpose of the Elders Discipleship Group:** To Train and Equip Discipleship Group leaders to lead more effectively.

**Key Theme:** Vision

**Key Truth:** Spiritual blindness has us seeing the wrong thing, which has us living the wrong way.

**Read:** The disciples found themselves in their boat at night on the sea with a so called ghost coming towards them.

*Matthew 14:25-27 And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."*

When we don't have vision we see and hear things that are false, even though they appear very real to us. The disciples were terrified because of what they were seeing. A ghost walking on the water coming towards them, or was it? I wonder how many times we are like this in our relationship with Him and others.

We hear and see things through our fleshly ears and eyes and it has us hearing and seeing things that are not real, even though they appear real. We are convinced they are real and that we are hearing and seeing correctly. The disciples are convinced they have seen a ghost.

This blindness stirs up and defines our emotions and all of a sudden the person or truth we should be embracing and receiving, we are afraid of and moving away from. Jesus saw the disciples response in the boat and spoke immediately to them words that would redefine this whole situation - "take courage, it is I, do not be afraid".

Jesus is always speaking His words of spirit and life to bring forth His reality that we are to live from. Without vision we will always see through an incorrect filter which will lead to incorrect lifestyles. No wonder Paul prayed that the eyes of our heart would be opened in the knowledge of Him.

### Questions:

1. How paralysing is it when we look through the eyes of flesh and not the spirit?
2. What are some of the consequences to us when we hear and see through the flesh and not the spirit?
3. How does one know if they are hearing and seeing correctly?
4. With what is being declared to us as a family how are we hearing and seeing it?
5. How does one come to hear and see accurately?