



Jesus took the Twelve aside and told them, “We are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be fulfilled. He will be delivered over to the Gentiles. They will mock him, insult him and spit on him; they will flog him and kill him. On the third day he will rise again.” The disciples did not understand any of this. Its meaning was hidden from them, and they did not know what he was talking about. Luke 18:31-34

As Jesus entered the final stages of His earthly ministry, the disciples were clueless to the mission at hand. They were still not seeing the big picture. They were following Jesus, day in and day out, but still could not yet see the vision God had for them and His Church. But one thing we can be sure of is that God had set that mission in motion and stayed on course to bring it to pass. More than once He told us His plan, we need to grab hold of it.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. John 3:17

Many today have that very same problem, they can't see the vision God has for them and their lives. Many in churches today still do not see the mission ahead, it's our job as leaders to set forth that vision and guide it along its way.

As an organization we must convey our mission in everything we do. That is to plant new churches and make disciples! As we spread that message, we would love to have you join us in reaching others and making a difference for the Kingdom.

As leaders of churches across the northern plains, we must set our vision and define our goals to reach our communities and others for Jesus. Making sure that the vision is clear, and doing all we can to see that God's plan is carried out in our communities.

Once again, this month is our Leadership Conference, we pray that leaders and churches will be strengthened and directed by solid leadership with a renewed vision for reaching others. We would like to thank all that attended, we hope it was beneficial and useful as you lead your home congregation. We also hope you share this experience with others and invite them next year! If you have suggestions and or questions for NPEA, contact us at office@npea7.com or give me a call at 605-310-2026.

Pray for all churches across the northern plains and for our new churches that are in various stages of their journey. Pray as we continue to search for those capable and willing to start new churches from the ground up! Pray for the church leaders throughout our area for guidance and vision to lead their flock in today's world.

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. 1 Timothy 2:1-4

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