

Knowing and Sharing Vision



CONSIDER

DISCUSS

Vision, according to Merriam-Webster, is the act or power of seeing. Below are vision statement examples from some well-known and beloved corporations in the United States.

Vision Statement Examples

Southwest Airlines: To become the world's most loved, most flown, and most profitable airline.

Nike: Bring inspiration and innovation to every athlete* in the world. (*If you have a body, you are an athlete.)

Chick-fil-A: To glorify God by being a faithful steward of all that is entrusted to us. To have a positive influence on all who come in contact with Chick-fil-A.

What do you notice about each of these corporate vision statements? As you think about the services they provide, how might their vision dictate the decisions made for their business and brand?

- *What is the current condition of the people of Israel (vs. 7)? What is God's intended future for the people of Israel (v. 8-9)?*
- *Where was Moses and what was He doing when God relayed this message about the people of Israel?*
- *Considering the communication between God and Moses, how do we see vision in this passage?*
- *How would this interaction be different if God only shared who He was, gave Moses instructions about what He wanted, and then casted no vision about His intentions for the people of Israel?*
- *What is God revealing to you about your campus? How is He inviting you to have vision for the spiritual health of your campus?*

READ

RESPOND

EXODUS 3:1-10 (New Living Translation)

1 One day Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian. He led the flock far into the wilderness and came to Sinai, the mountain of God. 2 There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a blazing fire from the middle of a bush. Moses stared in amazement. Though the bush was engulfed in flames, it didn't burn up. 3 "This is amazing," Moses said to himself. "Why isn't that bush burning up? I must go see it."

4 When the Lord saw Moses coming to take a closer look, God called to him from the middle of the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

"Here I am!" Moses replied.

5 "Do not come any closer," the Lord warned. "Take off your sandals, for you are standing on holy ground. 6 I am the God of your father—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." When Moses heard this, he covered his face because he was afraid to look at God.

7 Then the Lord told him, "I have certainly seen the oppression of my people in Egypt. I have heard their cries of distress because of their harsh slave drivers. Yes, I am aware of their suffering. 8 So I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and lead them out of Egypt into their own fertile and spacious land. It is a land flowing with milk and honey—the land where the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites now live. 9 Look! The cry of the people of Israel has reached me, and I have seen how harshly the Egyptians abuse them. 10 Now go, for I am sending you to Pharaoh. You must lead my people Israel out of Egypt."

Consider the spiritual health or walk of those on your campus (students, faculty, and staff). Create a list of points under each question based on the spiritual temperature of your campus.

- *What do you CURRENTLY see in the PRESENT?*
- *What do you HOPE to see in the FUTURE?*

Using the current realities about your campus and what future hopes you have for the spirituality of your campus, write a vision statement for what you hope to see God do through InterVarsity on your campus.