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Write the Vision



Then the Lord answered me and said: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay."

Habakkuk 2:2-3 NRSV

Rev. Matthew L. Watley

The Vision and Provision of God

As we have been learning from our teachings from *The Purpose Driven Life* by Rick Warren, God starts with vision. Then God puts people and resources in place to bring that vision to pass in the time and way He has ordained. After Habakkuk received the vision, he had to record it and communicate it. Likewise, it is vital that every individual, ministry and business follow the same model to achieve God's ultimate purpose and plan.

SPECIAL EDITION – THE VISION OF POWER LUNCH

GOD GIVES THE INCREASE

By Richard Brown

But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall also reap sparingly, and he which soweth bountifully, shall reap also bountifully. II Corinthians 9:6



Richard and Rochalle Brown

I began attending Power Lunch because of Rev. Watley's teachings on leadership and the spiritual power I received in the middle of my work day, and the middle of my work week. I have enjoyed serving at Power Lunch in various capacities. In addition to my talent and time, I sow my treasure. I sow as I am led of God into Power Lunch. Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. We sow into ministries that are fertile ground....and Power Lunch is definitely fertile ground.

To Whom Much Is Given

To whom much is given, much is required. We believe that the much required is what we have sown into our work in ministries over the years. We have been in business for almost five years and have worked tirelessly to build it from the ground up. We are having a very prosperous year, despite this year's economic downturn. We have a thriving business selling high quality paintings and have just completed a beautiful new home. Almost two years ago my wife, Rochalle, left her corporate America job after 22 years to work our business, Personal Preference, and she hasn't looked back. We are excited to see what God has in store for us in our business and this ministry!



A sample painting from their art collection

Richard Brown serves in the Finance Department at Power Lunch.

POWER LUNCH SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE 2003

Calling all small business owners and prospective entrepreneurs! Are you ready to take your business to the next level? Power Lunch will be sponsoring its **First Annual Small Business Conference 2003!** Learn strategies for:

- Expanding your client base
- Securing financing for your business ideas
- Diversifying products and services
- Small business technology... and much, much more.

Come and hear from representatives of the Small Business Administration, DC Chamber of Commerce, banking industry and other area business leaders. All seats are free. More details to come!

Issue Highlights

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by Richard Brown

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by Rev. Matthew L. Watley

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For More Information on Power Lunch, please visit us at www.powerlunchonline.com

WRITE THE VISION



Rev. Matthew L. Watley

Power Lunch is committed to providing comprehensive and cutting-edge ministry to the persons of the Washington DC Metropolitan area. Persons of different incomes, ethnicities, experiences and educational levels are coming together each week to celebrate what God is doing in our lives. We are currently updating our website to include more interactive features. We are enhancing our audiovisual capabilities as we prepare for broadcast ministry as well. We are planning a Small Business Conference for persons who own a business, who are interested in opening a business or who would like to expand their present businesses. We are continuing to strive toward the vision that God has given us.

So That A Runner May Read It

It is necessary to communicate the vision not only so that all will know

where God is taking us, but so all can be prepared to take their parts, assigned by God, to bring the vision to fruition. As God's vision comes forth, each of us are called to be a part and to do our part. Each week at Power Lunch, we ask all attendees to become an active part of this ministry by sacrificing one week out of the month to serve as they have been led by God.

**For there is still a vision
for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and
does not lie.**

We also ask that everyone seek God in what seed He would have them to provide to this ministry that has been a blessing to them. I continue to be humbled and grateful to God for sending such spirit-led persons to work in this

ministry. To the persons who set up and break down to the persons who serve at the product table, God sees your efforts and your sacrifices. For those who have not joined the ranks of active participation in this ministry, I bid you to seek the Lord.

As our numbers have increased so has the need for more workers, equipment and lunches. We have also incurred greater cost with our new lease at the movie theater. I am confident that the Lord does not demand what he does not supply. Therefore I believe He has already provided this ministry with the necessary workers and income to accommodate the harvest that He has and shall send, through the people who are coming and being blessed. Continue to be faithful because I am excited about what God is doing and I believe **THE BEST IS YET TO COME!!**

Monthly Meditation

1 Corinthians 12:12, 18 NIV

The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts;
and though all its parts are many, they form one body.

So it is with Christ.

But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body,
every one of them, just as He wanted them to be.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

AIDS Relief to South Africa – October 22, 2003

Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Matt 25:40
In honor of our commitment to provide support in the fight against AIDS in South Africa, we will collect a special offering to combat this global crisis. Seek the Lord in preparation of your financial gift.

Family and Friends Day– October 29, 2003

For the promise is unto you and your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. Acts 2:39
Bring your entire family, neighbors, friends and co-workers to Family and Friends Day at Power Lunch for an awesome time in the Lord. We are believing God for a great outpouring of His Spirit as we exalt the name of Jesus!

Power Lunch is held every Wednesday at Union Station – AMC Movie Theater 50 Massachusetts Ave., NE Wash, DC 20002 11:45 am – 12:45 pm