

Saint Raymond Church RCIA
Session Two: God's Vision for Me

1. When people say, "God has a plan" - what do you think they mean?
2. God's VISION FOR YOU is one of *Blessing & Happiness*
 - a. God "looks" at you with joy and delight
 - b. God "looks" past your sin and sees unmet potential and possibilities
 - c. God desires a happiness for you which this world cannot give or even imagine (The Beatitudes are the foundation of this blessed happiness)
3. God's VISION FOR YOU is *Unique for Each Person*
 - a. You are the only YOU there is; thus God desires You to be You
 - b. God's plan for another is NOT His plan for You
 - c. Welcome and rejoice in the unique Vision God has for You
4. God's VISION FOR YOU can *Be Known Through Discernment*
 - a. There are two ways to approach life:
 - i. What do I want to do with my life?
 - ii. What does God want to do with my life?
 - b. Discernment means "sifting through" – there are choices available, which one is BEST (which is usually the one God desires for You).

Discernment takes time – be patient! There needs to be a daily commitment to prayer (“God, show me your path today”)

5. God’s VISION FOR YOU: *Might be Different from Your Vision of Yourself*
 - a. When there is conflict: who is going to “win” out?
 - b. God’s Vision for Us is not always easy or comfortable but it is a path toward blessedness (recall the Father’s plan for Jesus and so many of the holy ones of the Scriptures)
6. Questions, Comments, Thoughts & Ideas