

## Tips on Developing Your Vision of “Prosperity for All People”

*“Where there is no vision, the people perish.”*

~Solomon, Proverbs 29:18

*“Poverty is the absence of all human rights.”*

~Muhammad Yunus

Stated in his Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Lecture

**Our collective vision of “Prosperity for All People” coupled with belief and enlightened action has the power to transform our world. Your voice and vision matter!**

Some people find it easier than others to create a vision in their mind’s eye about the results they desire. Vision can include not only pictures, but sounds, scents and feelings. The most powerful visions involve all of the senses.

**Begin by using these questions and examples to stimulate your imagination:**

First, close your eyes and think about prosperity. What images, sounds or feelings surface? E.g, you might experience a *feeling* of contentment and well-being or *see* a picture of kind faces smiling and enjoying life. If you’re a nature lover, you may *hear* sounds of a babbling brook or the ocean caressing the sand. Many of my clients see images of some of their material desires—a new Lexus, a beautiful condo on the lake, a yacht, travel to an exotic location and so on. What does prosperity mean to you?

Now close your eyes again and think about “prosperity for all people”, for all nations. What do you visualize? E.g., some of my clients have shared these with me:

- People from all different ethnic groups and countries nodding kindly toward one another, smiling and sharing food and drinks.
- Benevolent country leaders sharing ideas about how best to improve their countries citizens’ education, nutrition or happiness.
- Soldiers working together to rebuild rather than destroy.

- Harmonious family relationships, better communication and entertainment choices that enrich rather than mesmerize.
- Teenagers playing video games that challenge their imagination and ingenuity in solving the massive poverty problems that plague our world.

You might see countries uncluttered by war tanks, military weapons and strife. Or see the rich abundance of green fields, plentiful fresh water streams and happy dining. I like to visualize the sight and sounds of children everywhere laughing, creating and enjoying themselves. Others express more esoteric ideas. One client said she envisioned a vast joy wave moving across the earth.

Others I've talked with have more specific visions on some aspect of "Prosperity for All". One woman teacher told me she pictured a classroom of students in Iraq brainstorming about positive means for improving their nation's security situation, and what each of them could do to influence change. What is your vision?

Your vision will vary according to your personality, interests and special circumstances. Be as creative as you like. Go to a quiet spot and let your vision flow from your innermost being. **Express appreciation for the abundance that already exists in the world. The more you appreciate, the more you receive and have to give to the world.**

**Believe in the power of your vision.** Believe in the power of others' positive visions. Believe in the power of the Universe.

**Remember, what you focus on expands.** And what you truly believe in your heart creates the world in which we live. Let's visualize and create one we can all be proud of and want to live in! Let's make sure our children, grandchildren and future generations live in prosperity and peace. It's always been a possibility, let's make it a probability and a reality.

*"The point in history at which we stand is full of promise and danger. The world will either move forward toward unity and widely shared prosperity – or it will move apart."*  
~Franklin D. Roosevelt

*"If the human race wishes to have a prolonged and indefinite period of material prosperity they have only to behave in a peaceful and helpful way toward one another."*  
~Winston Churchill

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