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Proverbs 29:18 (NKJV) says, "Where there is no revelation, [a] the people cast off restraint;"

In other words, if you aim at nothing, you are sure to hit it. People, especially young people are looking for opportunities in life and are sincerely seeking truth and righteousness. I have just returned from doing a tour of most of the major university campuses in South Africa and every single time, I have seen young people who are seeking fulfilment, who are seeking direction, who are seeking a challenge, and a reason to live. They need a vision.

You see it is vision that gets you out of bed in the morning. It is vision that keeps you physically and spiritually in shape. That is why The Bible says that where there is no vision the people perish (They actually die). If you do not enjoy your work, then please change your occupation. You say you can't, because your mother and father have spent a lot of money on your education. Well your mother and father are not going to be here forever, but you are going to be here for a lot longer time than them. You need to tell them in love, that you are not fulfilled in the work you are doing and you want to persevere and fulfil the calling of God in your life. If that is to grow food to feed the hungry, or to minister medicine to the sick, or to teach the illiterate how to read and count, and most of all to tell the folk about Jesus Christ, then that is what you must do, because you will be doing that for the rest of your life.

We spend more time at work than doing anything else in our lives as human beings. It is imperative that your vision is something that excites you and motivates you. I can honestly tell you, my dear friend, that I am living my dream and by the grace of God my vision is being fulfilled. May the Lord bless you as you follow your heart and see your vision become a reality.

An English country cobbler had a desire to preach the gospel in India. He went with his family and it cost him a terrible price. He lost his wife and most of his children to sickness, but he never went back to England and at the end, that simple cobbler, just a man who repaired shoes, he couldn't even make shoes, started translating The Bible into the most difficult languages, e.g. Sanskrit, Hindustani and many others. His name was William Carey. He fulfilled his vision and as a result multitudes of people in India, the most populous country in the world, can read about Jesus Christ in their own language. Follow your dream.

I meet a lot of people who are very down hearted at the moment, because of the current situation in the Country, in fact the situation in the world at large. But we as "Followers of the Way," must see the climate in the world as a great opportunity to use for fulfilling our vision, a time to be used miraculously by our Heavenly Father to shine out for our Saviour.

We have a faithful saying at Shalom, "*We must attempt things for God that are so big, that if they are not from Him they are doomed to fail. Why? You might ask. Because if they work, people will know that the vision was from God, because man is not capable of doing such great miracles.*"

God bless you
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