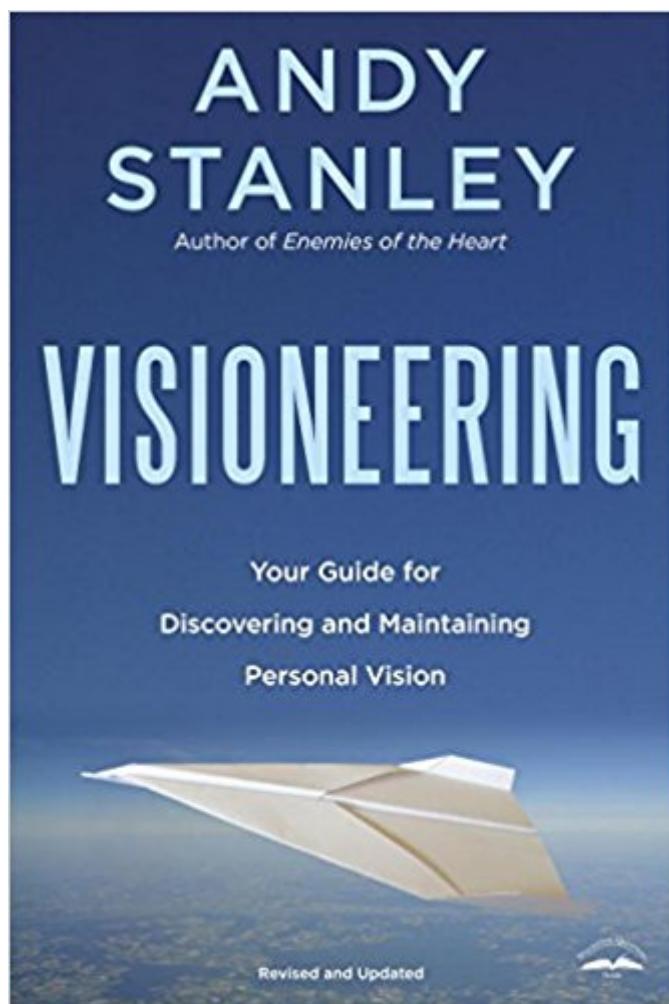


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# Visioneering: God's Blueprint For Developing And Maintaining Vision



## **Synopsis**

Everybody ends up somewhere in life. Wouldn't you like to end up somewhere on purpose? What breaks your heart? What keeps you up at night? What could be that should be? Andy Stanley believes these questions are bread crumbs that lead to the discovery of personal vision. With down-to-earth practicality, Andy extracts principles from the story of Nehemiah to help you discover your purpose in life. Visioneering includes helpful exercises and time-tested ideas for visionary decision-making, personal growth, and leadership at home and at work. Catch a glimpse of God's incredible vision for your life, relationships, and business and discover the passion to follow it. Includes discussion guide for use in small groups.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Visioneering: God's Blueprint for Developing and Maintaining Personal Vision by Andy Stanley This is essentially the paper-pack version of the author's earlier hard-back book bearing the same title. My copy of the hard-back was published in 2001. With due respect & from a secular standpoint, - subtracting all the religious connotations in the book -, I want to say that this book is still a reasonably good book on personal strategic planning. In particular, I like the author's definition & point of view: "Vision is a preferred future. A destination. Vision always stands in contrast to the world as it is. Visioneering is a clear mental picture of what could be, fueled by the conviction that it should be." Also, among the eighteen chapters, Chapter 13: 'Moral Authority' is certainly an interesting chapter to read, as it is a material departure from most, if not all, visioning or visioneering books! I reckon this book will appeal more to those readers with a Christian background. I had

originally bought this book without realising it (in reality, I had overlooked the secondary title on the book cover), but I have no regrets.

Andy Stanley is an excellent author and story teller. This book is one of the best books on leadership/vision that I've read in a long time. Andy has taken a fresh and very practical approach to the subject of vision and leadership. These are principles that are applicable to everyone - not just those in a "ministry" or "professional" position. This is a MUST read for those in a transitional period in their life or for anyone who would like to enrich their life.

In "Visioneering," Andy Stanley provides the motivation, the plan, and the encouragement for developing and fulfilling your God-given dreams. Nehemiah's vision for rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem is used as a classic example of the things God wants to accomplish in the lives of everyday Godly dreamers. The subject of vision is masterfully defined while practical steps for vision formulation and achievement are carefully explained and clearly illustrated. The book makes for enjoyable, inspiring, and empowering reading. Visionaries waiting for the fulfillment of their dreams can draw good counsel and encouragement from this book. I highly recommend "Visioneering" to anyone who dares to dream. I would also encourage the serious Christian visionary to read "The Power of Vision" by George Barna. The two works bring balance, clarity, and fullness to each other.

Quite frankly, "Visioneering" by Andy Stanley is the best book I have ever read on the topic of vision. George Barna wrote a good book a number of years ago entitled "The Power of Vision", however, his title is targeted more for the church leader. Stanley's book, on the other hand, is geared towards any Christian who wants to have a vision for his or her life. The narrative flows freely and is an excellent read. Stanley focuses on the biblical character of Nehemiah to draw parallels between what he faced and what we can face today when searching for a vision for our lives. Among the topics covered include: 1. Praying and planning about the vision God has for you. 2. How faith is an important part of vision. 3. The price of having a vision. 4. Obstacles you face in your vision. 5. The importance of having moral authority. 6. Distractions you will face. 7. Maintaining your course when pursuing the vision God has for you. I highly recommend the book to any Christian who wants to get out of their comfort zone and wants to pursue God's best for his or her life. Read and enjoy!

God gave me a business vision (Kingdom Business Centers) that seems almost as big as Him. During a recent business meeting, one of the attendees lent me her copy of VISIONEERING which I

read in one day. This book was SO LOADED with confirmation that I now have no doubt whatsoever that my business vision will come to pass. Now I'm ordering my own copy to mark up, plus the tapes to share with others who have business visions. IF YOU ARE ATTEMPTING ANYTHING ABOVE AND BEYOND YOUR KNOWLEDGE, CAPABILITY AND RESOURCES, THIS IS A MUST READ...OVER AND OVER!

Andy, through his unique story-telling style of writing, has provided a literary compass to either confirm or deconstruct "that idea that you have" for the "really big thing" that has been consuming your thoughts. For those on the other end of the spectrum, those that are clueless about what they are really supposed to do with their lives, he offers insight as to how to begin to address this issue. Thought-provoking, yet funny, readers will finish the book not only with a greater appreciation of Nehemiah's management challenge, but a practical roadmap of how to address the bigger issues in their own lives. READ THIS BOOK - AND THEN GIVE IT TO A FRIEND

This book is a must-read for anyone who is interested in living life to the fullest. It gives TREMENDOUS insight on vision, how God can help to steer your life, and more. It is extremely practical. This work exhibits excellent, easy reading, in a vernacular, down-to-earth style with examples we all can relate to. I would recommend to parents, anyone upscaling their business, and anyone who wants to test their vision. Old Testament character Nehemiah's building project is a well-used example. 'Visioneering' is a definite must-read for anyone with hopes, with dreams, with vision.

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