MZRF BIBLE STUDY

April, 2017 - Spring **Dreams and Visions Unveiled**

And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit...For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed; Then he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction, that he may withdraw man from his purpose, and hide pride from man. He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life from perishing by the sword (Joel 2:28-29 & Job 33:14-18).

Purpose/Objective

The purpose/objective of this study is not to delve into the clinical study of dreams or to pay much attention to the difference between dreams and visions. Our study's purpose/objective is to appreciate God's divine ways of instructing and warning us through dreams and to abhor the devil's strategies to abort or frustrate our destinies through dreams. Also, we will explore all aspects of dreams/visions as the Lord would reveal through his Word.

1. What is a dream/vision?

2. What is the difference between Dreams and Vision

3. Sources of Dreams/Vision

- a. God
- b. Satan
- c. Man (self-indulgence, obsessions and fantasies & inputs)

4. Categories/Purposes of Dreams/Visions

- a. Instruction
- b. Restrain from evil (Warning)
- c. Reveal the (What was Past; What is Present; What is to be Future and destinies)
- d. Encouragement
- e. Reveal devil's attack
- f. To foster our relationship with God

5. The interpretation of Dreams/Visions

6. Possible Causes of Evil Dreams/Visions

- a. Bad foundation
- b. Polluted environment
- c. Watching/Reading dirty or horror stories
- d. Evil Covenant
- e. Impure/Immoral thoughts

7. Annulling evil dreams/visions

- a. Personal Consecration/Holiness
- b. Studying the Word
- c. Meditating on the Word of God
- d. Prayer and Fasting
- e. Clean/Godly thoughts

8. Notable Examples of Dreams/Visions*

- a. Abimelech
- b. Jacob
- c. Laban
- d. Joseph
- e. Pharaoh
- f. Solomon
- g. Nebuchadnezzar
- h. Ezekiel
- $i. \quad Joseph-Jesus'\ father$
- j. Pilate's wife
- k. Cornelius and Peter

(* adopted from Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible – Joshua's)