

Proverbs 29:18 Where *there* is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy *is* he.

בְּאֵין חִזּוֹן יִפְרַע עַם וְשָׁמַר תּוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר־הוּ:

b'-ein kha-zon yi-pa-ra am v'-sho-mer to-rah ash-re-hu

Heb	Trans	Lit	#	Meaning
בְּאֵין	b'-ein	Where <i>there</i> is no	369	Without or where. It is emptiness, nothingness.
חִזּוֹן	kha-zon	vision	2377	A dream or vision from God with respect to future events. It is prophetic. It is from the word חָזָה (kha-zah) which are visions or prophesies given to prophets by God, a revelation. This is not a mission or doctrinal statement, the result of a supervisory board's findings or a consensus of the flock. This is not this year's theme or goals. This is when God opens the doors to Heaven, and you can clearly see the things that are to come.
יִפְרַע	yi-pa-ra	perish	6544	To loose, to let go, to overlook, to reject counsel or admonition. This is the image of a horse that has just been unbridled. He takes off running and kicking and has no thought for anyone or anything around him. We can compare this to our school system and society today. The more laws passed and lawsuits lost that take away religious freedoms, the more our nation becomes unbridled and lawless.
עַם	am	the people	5971	A people. They are known as a people by some common thread. i.e., a bloodline, nation or race. A united purpose or belief can join them. So, a people can be Indians joined by a bloodline, believers joined by a common belief, or Americans joined by a common land.

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וְשָׁמַר	v'-sho-mer	but he that keepeth	8104	To keep watch, to guard, to tend to a flock or garden. This is certainly something that would be expected of a pastor, but this scripture is referring to everyone. Certainly a pastor can become lawless, but this scripture states that the people become this way. The scripture leads us to conclude then that every flock needs a vision from God, needs to listen to that vision and obey His commandments.
תּוֹרָה	to-rah	the law	8451	Law FROM: יָרָה (ya-rah) which is to lay a foundation; to cast, to place a foundation, to found; to send out the hand, especially for pointing out, hence to show, to indicate, to teach, to instruct. The Torah is the first five books of the Bible, but this does not mean that we should not study any of the other books. The Torah is the foundation.
אֲשֶׁרֵהוּ	ash-re-hu	happy /s he	835	Happy is he.

Translation

Without a vision from God of what is to come, people turn loose and become unbridled and lawless. Happy are those who tend to and guard the foundation of their belief which is established in the Torah.