



My Dreams Are Not For Sale | Dr. Mark Rutland | 4.6.25

Weekly Study

Opening Prayer:

Ask a volunteer to open the session in prayer, inviting God's presence and guidance in your discussion.

Key Takeaways:

1. Dreams have power and long to be expressed.
2. Not everyone will love or support your dream.
3. The path to fulfilling your dream may be unexpected and challenging.
4. Your dream may come true in ways you didn't initially envision.
5. God-given dreams are not for sale or abandonment.

Discussion Questions:

1. Dr. Rutland shared personal stories about dream encouragers in his life. Who has been a dream encourager in your life, and how did they impact you?
2. The sermon mentions that "Sometimes those who hate your dream will understand it and its implications before and even better than you do." Have you ever experienced this? How did you respond?
3. How do you distinguish between your own desires and God-given dreams?
4. Dr. Rutland said, "With God, the shortest distance between any two points is not necessarily a straight line." How does this relate to your own experiences with pursuing dreams or goals?

5. Reflect on the story of Joseph. How does his journey encourage or challenge you in relation to your own dreams?
6. The sermon emphasizes that dreams may come true in unexpected ways. Have you ever had a dream fulfilled in a way you didn't anticipate? Share your experience.
7. Dr. Rutland stated, "You don't know what's a big dream and what's a little dream." How does this perspective change the way you think about your own dreams or the dreams of others?

Practical Applications:

1. Dream Journaling: Start a journal to record your dreams, both sleeping dreams and aspirations. Reflect on them regularly and pray about them.
2. Become a Dream Encourager: Identify someone in your life whose dream you can encourage this week. Plan a specific way to support and uplift them.
3. Dream Revival: If you feel you've lost sight of a dream, spend time in prayer, asking God to revive it or show you a new direction.
4. Dream Sharing: Share one of your dreams with the group and ask them to pray for its fulfillment over the coming weeks.
5. Scripture Study: Read and meditate on biblical stories of dreamers like Joseph, Daniel, or Nehemiah. What can you learn from their experiences?

Closing Prayer:

Close the session by praying for each group member's dreams, asking for God's guidance, protection, and fulfillment of His will in their lives.