



## Dream Again Part 2

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#### I. Introduction

- a. God created us to be dreamers. God gave each of us a dream so we can make a difference with our lives.
- b. If you want a great life you need a great dream to which you can give your life. We are ordinary until we attach ourselves to an extra ordinary dream.
- c. Three most important things in your life
  - i. Be Born Again
  - ii. Discover God's plan/dream for your life.
  - iii. Develop your skills/talents/abilities to fulfill God's plan/dream for your life.
    1. Your gifts/talents/abilities reveal God's purpose for your life.
- d. The language of the Holy Spirit in the last days is dreams and visions.

#### Acts 2:14-17 NKJV

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. <sup>15</sup> For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is *only* the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup> But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, **Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.**

#### II. Abraham

- a. God gave him a dream at 75 years old. It took 25 years for it to come to pass. It looked like it wouldn't happen.
- b. He was going to be a father even though he had no children. He was also going to be a father of many nations.
- c. God gave him an impossible dream. Without God, it could never come to pass.
  - i. If you can do it, it's your dream not God's dream.

#### III. How do we discover a God given dream for our life?

- a. Clarity

#### Ephesians 1:11-12 MSG

<sup>11-12</sup> **It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for.** Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.

#### i. Steps in Clarity

1. Clarity on who we are
2. Clarity on why we are here
3. Agree with his plan for your life.
4. Have a growth mindset.

5. Work daily on your mental picture of who God says you are and His purpose for your life.
  6. Be intentional with your thinking and speaking. It will change the way you act.
- b. You need an example.

Romans 4:11-12 NKJV

<sup>11</sup> And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which *he had while still* uncircumcised, that he might be the father of all those who believe, though they are uncircumcised, that righteousness might be imputed to them also, <sup>12</sup> and the father of circumcision to those who not only *are* of the circumcision, **but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham had while still uncircumcised.**

- i. Abraham is the father of our faith.
    1. We are to imitate the faith of Abraham.
    2. He is our role model.
  - ii. In order to go to the next level in anything, we need an example.
  - iii. Faith walk is about steps, not a leap.
  - iv. Genesis 12: He received a call on his life.
    1. He didn't know it all.
  - v. With each step comes new knowledge and revelation.
- c. You need to see God's dream for your life.

Hebrews 11:8-10 KJV

<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, **obeyed**; and he went out, **not knowing whither he went.** <sup>9</sup> By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: <sup>10</sup> For he **looked for a city** which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

- i. Every step is obedience.
  - ii. "Not Knowing" God will take you to new territory not backwards.
  - iii. "city": He was looking for heaven.
- IV. God has your future planned out

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

<sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you **hope and a future.**

- a. You should be focusing on your future. Your dream will bring opportunities and advantages to your life. We should be forward thinking. God never leads us back.
  - b. God has a plan and the plan includes your future.
  - c. God's plan is not to harm or hurt you but to prosper you.
- V. God expects you to dream.

Ephesians 3:20 AMPC

<sup>20</sup> Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work **within us**, is able to [carry out **His purpose** and] do superabundantly, far over *and* above all that we [**dare**] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or **dreams**]

- a. God works in us, on us, and through us. He works on us to work through us.
- b. Dare: God is daring us to dream.
- c. You were created to dream not to barely get by.
- d. Your dream should pull you. God doesn't drive you he leads you through your dreams.
- e. Dream Big! The God you serve is big! Your dreams reflect the God your serve.

VI. Things working out

Romans 8:28 AMPC

<sup>28</sup> We are assured *and* know that [God being a partner in their labor] all things work together *and* are **[fitting into a plan]** for good to *and* for those who love God and are called according to [His] **design and purpose.**

- a. It all works out only if I love God and working towards God's dream and purpose for my life.

VII. How to Get a God Dream

- a. The Bible is the oil (paint), the Holy Spirit is the artist, the canvas is your heart.
- b. Read the Bible, listen to the Holy Spirit, and let Him paint an image in my spirit.
- c. Dreams expand and grow through stages and ages.

VIII. God's dream for your life...

- a. It will be bigger than yours.
- b. It will be better than yours.
- c. It will bring you through tough times.
- d. It will bring out your best.
- e. It will impact others.
- f. It will give your life purpose in meaning.
- g. It will give a legacy after your gone.