



Dream Again April 14, 2024

- 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 give your life to.
 - c. Most people don't dream they just exist.
 - d. Albert Einstein said imagination is greater than knowledge.
 - i. Imagination deals with your future. Memory deals with your past.
 - e. 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.
 - f. The language of the Holy Spirit in the last days is dreams and visions.

Acts 2:14-17 NKJV

¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is *only* the third hour of the day. ¹⁶ 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.**

Joel 2:23 NKJV

Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the Lord your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— **The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month.**

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

¹¹ 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.

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

Ephesians 1:11-12 MSG

¹¹⁻¹² **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
 - a. God is not the author of confusion.
 - b. Clarity comes through living in Christ.
 - c. We are not supposed to determine what we are to do with our life, we discover it.
 - d. Let God define your life.
 - 3. Agree with his plan for your life.
 - 4. Have a growth mindset.
 - a. The dream that God gives you will give you power to grow and drive you.
 - 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

¹¹ 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, ¹² 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

⁸ 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.** ⁹ 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: ¹⁰ 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.

