

DREAMING THE FUTURE GOD WANTS FOR YOU

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Parts 1-2

“God can do anything—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request or dream in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working gently within us.” Ephesians 3:20 (The Message)

12 REASONS I MUST KNOW GOD’S DREAM FOR MY LIFE!

1. GOD _____

God: *“Let us make human beings in our image and likeness.”* Genesis 1:26

2. WITHOUT A DREAM _____

“Where there is no vision, the people perish.” Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

3. EVERYTHING _____

“I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can see something of the future that God has called you to share!” Ephesians 1:18 (TLB)

4. DREAMS _____

Joseph told Pharaoh: *“God has given you two dreams to let you know what he has definitely decided to do AND that he WILL do it in your future.”* Genesis 41:32

5. MY DREAMS _____

Jesus: *“Your eye is the light for your body. If your vision is good, your whole body will be full of light. But if your vision is evil, your whole life will be full of darkness.”*

Matthew 6:22-23

6. A DREAM _____

Paul: *“I know that I am not yet what God wants me to be. I haven’t reached that goal, but I keep moving toward it to make it mine because Christ made me and saved me for this. I know that I haven’t yet reached my goal, but there’s one thing I always do. Forgetting the past and straining toward what is ahead, I keep my eyes focused on the goal so that I may one day win the prize that God has called me to receive through Christ in the life above. All of you who are spiritually mature should think this same way.”* Philippians 3:12-15

7. A DREAM _____

“I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step. I fight to win. I’m not like some boxer punching the air or playing around.” 1 Corinthians 9:26 (TLB)

8. A DREAM _____

“According to your faith will it be done to you.” Matthew 9:29

9. A DREAM _____

Job: *“I do not have the strength to endure. I do not have a goal that encourages me to carry on.”* Job 6:11 (NLT)

10. A GREAT DREAM _____

“If your goals are good, you will be respected.” Proverbs 11:27 (GNT)

11. MY SELF-DISCIPLINE _____

“All athletes practice strict self-control. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize.” 1 Corinthians 9:25 (NLT)

12. GOD-GIVEN DREAMS _____

GOD: *“In the last days I will pour out my Spirit on ALL people. Your SONS and DAUGHTERS will proclaim my message. Your YOUNG men will see VISIONS and your OLD men will DREAM DREAMS. Yes, on ALL my servants, both MEN and WOMEN, I will pour out my Spirit in those days and they will proclaim my message!”*

Acts 2:17-18

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LIVING GOD'S DREAM DESPITE PAST POOR DECISIONS

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*"We all stumble in many ways."
James 3:2*

RECOVERING GOD'S ORIGINAL DREAM FOR ME

1. HONESTLY _____

4 COMMON CAUSES

Seen in Peter's Betrayal of Jesus

• _____
Peter: "Everyone else may stumble in their faith, but I won't!" Mark 14:29

• _____
Jesus: "Could you not stay awake with me for just one hour?" Mark 14:37

• _____
"Peter followed Jesus at a distance." Mark 14:54

• _____
"Peter then sat with the guards and warmed himself at the fire." Mark 14:54

Jesus said, "Simon Peter, Satan has asked to test you, but I have prayed for you that your faith will not fail. So WHEN you have repented and recovered, I want you to strengthen the other disciples." Luke 22:31-32

2. HUMBLY _____

David: "Have mercy on me, O God, because of your unfailing love. In your great compassion, please wipe out the stain of all my wrongdoing. Wash away all my guilt and cleanse me from my sins. For I am haunted by my failures and I can't forget the evil things I've done . . . I know you love complete honesty from my heart so help me see what's deep inside me . . . Then create a new, pure heart in me and renew my spirit with the right desires and restore the joy of your salvation! Then I'll help bring others back to you too." Psalm 51:1-3, 6, 10

3. GRATEFULLY _____

"Christ sacrificed his life's blood (on the Cross) to set us free, which means that ALL our sins are now forgiven! God did this because of his generous grace to us."

Ephesians 1:7

"So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus!"

Romans 8:1 (NLT)

WHY DOES SIN NOT INVALIDATE GOD'S DREAM FOR ME? BECAUSE . . .

1. JESUS _____

"When Jesus served as a sacrifice for our sins, he solved the sin problem for God—not only ours, but the whole worlds." 1 John 2:2 (The Message)

2. GOD'S GOODNESS _____

"He saved us, not because of the good things we did, but because of his mercy." Titus 3:5 (NLT)

3. GOD'S CALLING AND GIFTS _____

"For God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. They can't be withdrawn." Romans 11:29

4. GENEROUSLY _____

"If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."

Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT)

5. COURAGEOUSLY _____

"Devote your whole heart to God and reach out to him in prayer for help. If you get rid of the sins in your heart and your home you will face the world again without shame and you'll be strong and free of fear! Then you'll forget your past troubles, like water under a bridge. Your life will be brighter than noonday, and even in darkness you'll shine like the morning. And now you'll have courage because you will have hope!"

Job 11:13-18

"Forget the former thing and do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it is springing up; do you not perceive it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness and I will create streams where there has been wasteland!"

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV)

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THE STRUGGLE BEHIND EVERY DREAM

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THE DREAM

“When Jacob reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. He found a smooth stone for a pillow and laid down to sleep. Then GOD GAVE HIM A DREAM in which he saw a stairway going from earth to heaven, and angels of God were going up and down the stairs! At the top of the stairway was God who said, ‘I am the same Lord of Abraham your grandfather and Isaac your father, and I am going to give you and your descendants all the land on which you’re sleeping . . . and your descendants will spread all around the world, and all the peoples on earth are going to be blessed by your future generations . . . I’m going to be with you, and I’m going to watch over you wherever you go. But one day I will bring your people back to this land . . . When Jacob woke up he thought ‘Surely, the Lord is in this place and I was not even aware of it!’ Then he was afraid and said ‘This place is awesome! It’s the house of God—the gateway to heaven!’ So early the next morning, Jacob got up and took the stone he’d used for a pillow and stood it upright as a memorial marker. Then he anointed the stone with oil and named the place Beth-el, which means House of God . . . Then Jacob made this vow to God, ‘If you’ll be with me, I will honor you with my life and I will give back to you a tenth of all that you give to me.” Genesis 28:11-22

THE STRUGGLE: 4 PHASES GOD TAKES US THROUGH TO GET US READY FOR HIS DREAM!

Genesis 32

1. THE CRISIS PHASE:

“That night Jacob sent his family across the Jabbok river. Then Jacob was left all alone in the camp, and a Man came and WRESTLED with Jacob all night.” Genesis 32:22-25 (NLT)

“Before Jacob was born, he STRUGGLED with his brother; when he became a man, he even FOUGHT WITH GOD.” Hosea 12:3 (NLT)

2. THE COMMITMENT PHASE:

“Jacob WRESTLED with this Man until dawn. When the man saw that he couldn’t win the match, he struck Jacob’s hip and knocked it out of joint at the socket. Then the man said, ‘Let me go, for it is dawn!’ But Jacob panted, ‘I won’t let you go unless you bless me!” Genesis 32:24-26

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

3. THE CONFESSION PHASE:

“The man asked him, ‘What is your name?’ ‘My name is JACOB,’ he answered.” Genesis 32:27 (NIV)

Jacob = original: “deceiver/manipulator”

4. THE CONVERSION PHASE:

“Then the Man said, ‘Your name will no longer be Jacob. Instead you will be called ISRAEL . . . Then God blessed him there. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, ‘It is because I saw God face to face.’”

Genesis 32:28-30 (NIV)

Israel = “Prince with God”

“The sun rose as Jacob left Peniel, and he was limping because of his hip.” Genesis 32:31 (NLT)

“If anyone belongs to Christ, they are a new creation. The old things have gone; everything is made new!” 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NCV)

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