



Part 5: Dream Again

Big Idea

This week Pastor Chris encourages us to dream again by sharing the truth that God has a plan for our lives that is greater than anything we can design ourselves and that He's capable of immeasurably more than we could ever imagine. We need only take the steps that we can take in the natural and dare to dream again.

Pastor Chris outlined five types of dreamers—those with no dream, a wrong dream, a stale dream, a vague dream, and a God-honoring dream. There is nothing wrong with having our own dreams, but God's desire is for us to dream big dreams that honor Him and that are culture defying, Heaven-impacting, and seemingly impossible. When God-honoring dreams are answered, the world is changed, the Kingdom is strengthened, and God gets the honor.

"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." (Hebrews 11:1)

They came to Bethsaida, and some people brought a blind man and begged Jesus to touch him. He took the blind man by the hand and led him outside the village. When he had spit on the man's eyes and put his hands on him, Jesus asked, "Do you see anything?" He looked up and said, "I see people; they look like trees walking around." Once more Jesus put his hands on the man's eyes. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. (Mark 8:22-25)

Discussion Questions

- Do you have a dream that is stale or vague or even nonexistent? Read Hebrews 11:1 and share why you think your dreams aren't currently flourishing.
- Why is it important to dream again? Why is it vital to have dreams and goals and visions greater than even we believe can actually happen?
- God is talking to us but there may be too many competing voices. To hear God's voice, we must turn down the world's volume. What things in your life could be clouding your vision or competing with God's voice?

Prayer Focus

Ask that God reveal things in your life that are causing you to miss out on the dreams and visions He has for you. Ask that He reveal tangible ways in which you can turn down the world's competing voice so you can hear from God clearly. Pray for God to stir in your heart God-honoring dreams that could only be answered by Him.

Next Steps

Regardless of where we are in our relationship with God, there's always a next step we can take. A great next step is joining a Serve Day group to share the love of Jesus with our communities through practical acts of kindness. Serve Day is Saturday, July 14, and you can learn more at churchofthehighlands.com.

Leader Tip

Encourage your group to identify at least one place in their lives where they can take steps to silence the voice of the world. Next week, share how God has moved and begun to speak in these areas and share the dreams and visions God has given you.