

God Has a Dream

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Day One: God Has a Dream

Our God is a dreamer. He dreams big, expansive dreams! He dreams the limitless dreams of a limitless Father, and then He places the life of His limitless Son inside of our hearts so that we can perceive, receive and believe His dreams, even though they are always exceedingly, abundantly, above and beyond all that we could ask or think (Eph 3:20).

God has a dream, and it is a dream of His glorious family across the earth – sons and daughters – blessing the earth as originally intended in the Garden of Eden and bringing His life to the world through them.

Genesis 1:26 & 28 (NKJV) *Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion... Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion...”*

He dreamed this dream of His glory flowing through His children to fill the earth, and He created the earth and birthed this big, big dream that is so dear to His heart.

And then satan came along, man fell and God’s dream was interrupted. Some may think that God’s dream has changed – that somehow, His mindset is like that of mankind – to minimise expectations in line with ‘reality’. Isn’t that what people do? When circumstances don’t look like their dreams are possible, they reduce their dreams to match their circumstances? But that’s not what God did. He didn’t step back when satan entered the world and mankind deviated from God’s dream. He didn’t think of Himself as beaten, or that perhaps He had better rein in His expectations and hope for something better. He didn’t decide that He would settle for a rescue mission instead of a display of His glorious life through His children across this earth. He instead simply decreed the restoration plan of Jesus (Gen 3:15) and continued to see mankind’s destiny just as He had before.

Romans 8:19 (TPT) *The entire universe waits with excitement, yearning to see the unveiling of God’s glorious sons and daughters.*

What God dreamed when Holy Spirit hovered over the deep, is what He is still dreaming today. His dream has never changed. He wanted to see His life and



glory flow through His children to bless this world, and He still does. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. He is the same today as He was when He formed Adam and Eve, and He'll be the same as He is today, for as long as we're on this earth and throughout all of eternity. He is still dreaming the same dream... even all of creation does. God's dream is embedded in everything He's created. It's in all of creation and it's planted in our hearts. It's the very nature of God, planted within all of the works of His hands. If you look within, you'll find His dream there, in your heart.

God is a dreamer. A big, BIG dreamer. And He hasn't stopped dreaming... He will keep moving forward, to see His dream fulfilled.

Psalm 33:11 - 12 (TPT) *His destiny-plan for the earth stands sure. His forever-plan remains in place and will never fail...*

His perspective is always hope. If we're going to see what He sees, we must look through His perspective, and God's perspective is full of hope. He can't see anything but hope, because He knows that nothing on earth or in heaven can stop His glorious dream from coming true.

Soak Time

Do you understand that God is still dreaming the same dream as He dreamt when He created the world? Do you believe that He has never altered this dream? How does that affect what you have believed about yourself and about this world?

Look within. Can you discern His dream within your own heart?



Day Two: Seeing Through His Eyes

For us to understand the dream of His heart, we have to be willing to lay down what we've seen before, so that we can see what He sees. We need to wipe away all of our own ideas of eschatology (end time theology – in other words, our idea of how God's dream is going to turn out). Because God's dream will stand.

Psalm 73:17 (TPT) ...in the light of glory, my distorted perspective vanished.

Isaiah 40:26 (AMP) Lift up your eyes on high and see!

It's one thing to look. It's another thing to truly see. And we must know that we are never really seeing reality, until we're seeing through God's eyes and from His perspective.

I recently flew to from Brisbane to Vancouver (Canada). This was my first time flying across the Pacific Ocean and I was left absolutely astounded at how BIG the world is, and how BIG our God is! After all, He holds the world in the palm of His hands (Isa 40:12) and it had just taken me 15 hours in a plane to cross only a portion of it – there was still so much more of the world I hadn't even come close to seeing, and I was astounded at the thought of what God had created!

As we were flying and I was looking out the window, over the clouds, I was arrested by the realisation that everything I'd believed – which I thought was big – was actually small! That even though many people would have considered me a big thinker, capable of receiving and believing big visions from the Lord, all of my thoughts and my perspective instantly felt puny and insignificant, because I knew that God's thoughts and dreams and perspective was so much bigger still! I very clearly heard the Lord's message to my heart: *"Come up and sit with me and dream."*

I realised that God was showing me, 'Your perspective is not yet My perspective. Expand what you think is possible and lay down what you have seen as your reality, and instead choose My reality, for it is truth.'

I also realised that He was giving me an invitation and I believe the Lord invites us all into this. And that is permission to dream WITH Him, not just in Him. He said to sit with Him and dream, and of course that is already our spiritual



reality. We are already seated in heavenly places with Christ Jesus (Eph 2:6). The blood of Jesus has made the way for us to live there, and paid the price for us to dream with Papa God. The Bible tells us that *'We have the mind of Christ, and we know the thoughts and purposes of His heart'* (1 Cor 2:16).

So get ready to dream with God! We are going to see the most astounding and astonishing things! I believe Habakkuk 1:5 is a prophetic description of what we are coming into:

Habakkuk 1:5 (AMP) Look around [you, Habakkuk, replied the Lord] among the nations and see! And be astonished! Astounded! For I am putting into effect a work in your days [such that you would not believe it if it were told you].

It's time to lay down our distorted perspectives and to pick up His perspective of hope. Hope is the most precious commodity on the earth today, and He wants us to live from a place of hope. To see with His eyes. To dream His dreams. And when we do that... when we really believe the dreams that He reveals to us in the secret place, we cannot help but live in undiminished hope. These are the most exciting times ever to be experienced on planet earth – what a time to be alive!

Soak Time

Do you feel excited or fearful about the times that we live in? Why?



Consider this word from the Lord and record what He speaks to you through it:

Your perspective is not yet My perspective. Expand what you think is possible and lay down what you have seen as your reality, and instead choose My reality, for it is truth. There is a way, and it's My way. There is a reality, and it's My reality. There is a truth, and it's My truth. There is a life and it's My life. Let go of your shackles, let go of your limitations. You must choose through whose eyes you will see – from which perspective you will view the world. Will you be so concerned that you be right? Or will you let yourself see what I see?



Day Three: Jesus the Dream Restorer

So God began this world with a dream in His heart and He today holds the same dream in His heart. He planted His dream into Adam (The first Adam), yet Adam lost the dream. He stopped looking from God's perspective. Instead of seeing generations of glorious sons and daughters filling the world with the life and love of God, he allowed his perspective to dwindle to the size of a single tree in a single garden and he – who had already been given the authority in the world to bring that dream to pass – gave away God's dream. Yet God didn't diminish the size of His dream, He didn't wring His hands and wonder whether He should just give up on it... God just moved forward with His plan, and sent Jesus – the second Adam – to restore His dream on the earth.

> **See:** 1 Corinthians 15:45 & 47

Jesus – the express image of God – went through persecution, rejection, betrayal and an excruciating death on the cross, when at any moment He could have called for a legion of angels to deliver Him. Jesus didn't have to die – He chose to. Jesus wasn't forced to stay the course and not deviate from the purpose for which He came. He chose to. What does that tell us?

Jesus' nature is not failure – it is victory!

Jesus (who is the express representation of God), when He hung on that cross, didn't come short. He was able to say *"It is finished"* (John 19:30). He had completed down to the last detail, everything God had sent Him to do (John 17:4). He didn't quit halfway, He didn't back down, He didn't diminish His purpose. He left heaven and came into the world for a specific purpose and He fulfilled it down to the last detail. Then He put His **'It is finished' spirit** inside of us so that we could be **'It is finished' people!**

We have to know that just as Jesus didn't give up halfway when He was hanging on the cross, He isn't taking us out of here with this thing half done either! God's dream, which He has nurtured from the beginning, will be fulfilled!

He's got great plans. We only have to open our prophetic ears and sit with Him in heavenly places and dream and we will be filled with such hope that we will hardly be able to contain ourselves. There are prophetic words that are yet to



be fulfilled in the Bible of the body becoming one (John 17), the nations being disciplined (Matt 28:19), and even whole nations being won in a day (Zech 2:11; Isa 66:8).

There are numerous prophetic words that have been spoken over Australia – that the last great move of the Holy Spirit will come from Australia and extend to the nations. We haven't seen these incredible things yet – but we're going to!

We are not in a time for sitting back, cutting back, or giving up. We are not here to pray for a rescue mission. We are here to see the dream in the heart of God fulfilled on this earth.

God sent Jesus to restore His dream. Now...

God is sending us to finish His dream!



What is Holy Spirit speaking to your heart about the truth of His 'It is finished' nature and therefore your 'It is finished' nature?

Are you excited about being here to finish God's dream?



Day Four: Adam's Choice is Our Choice

So the question is:

Will we believe who God says we are? Will we repeat Adam's sin or will we align ourselves with Jesus' victory?

Adam's sin was not believing who God said He was. He already was like God – made in His image – yet Adam was tempted into believing that he wasn't who God said He was. God's dream is accomplished by His life flowing through His children. Adam disconnected from the life of God that was within him, and there began a continual decline in understanding and revelation as mankind lost everything that God had placed within them.

But Jesus! He came back to show us the truth about who we are, the reality of our adoption as the sons of God, and the fact that God's dream is still very much alive.

When Jesus came to restore the dream, He restored the revelation of Who God said that we are. He made it possible for mankind to once again be who He created us to be.

Yet while we find ourselves today with revelation being restored, the body still is not walking in the fullness of the grace God has given us through the finished work of Jesus. Many mistake works for grace and are still disconnected from the dream of God, trying to make their own dream happen in their own way, in the 'name of God'. But God's dream happens when His children want His dream and His will above all else, they walk with Him in intimacy and boldness in who they are, and they allow God to fulfil His own dream through them.

We are – you are and I am - in the same position as Adam and Eve right now. We are created in the image of God, connected to His Life. Am I going to realise I already have it all, or let myself be deceived that I don't? Am I going to complete the dream of God on this earth?



Soak Time

How do you answer the above questions?

See yourself in the same position as Adam and Eve right now. Is what you're believing in your heart about yourself right now, consistent with what Adam and Eve believed about themselves, or is it consistent with what Jesus believes about you?



Day Five: The Commission WE Will Finish

Now we need to go back and look at what He commissioned US to do through His power in us, so that we could finish God's dream:

Matthew 28:18 – 20 (AMP) ...All authority (all power of rule) in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go then and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything that I have commanded you, and behold, I am with you all the days...to the...close and consummation of the age.

What honour – His dream is left in our hands!

Yes, there will be an end and Jesus will return – but not until we've done what Jesus asked us to. Read Matthew 28 closely. It talks about disciples, not converts; and nations, not individuals. We were commissioned by a Big thinking Jesus who loves nations and who died to redeem nations. We think we're fulfilling the Great Commission when we witness to a neighbour down the street or invite someone to church who prays 'the sinner's prayer'. But true disciples live for Jesus and teach others to do the same. And while it's wonderful to see our neighbour and maybe even their family come into the Kingdom of God, Jesus was lifting His eyes a little higher when He spoke these words. He is talking here about discipling whole nations!

Discipling whole nations means the transformation of entire nations, including bringing His Kingdom way of doing things to the social structures of those nations – Mountains of Business, Government, Education, Family, Arts, Media.

"As His delegated authority on earth we have the responsibility to carry on the assignment that Jesus received from the Father – "destroy the works of the devil" (1 John 3:8). The devil is defeated but many of his works remain unchallenged." Bill Johnson

Do we really think Jesus is going to give this instruction, put His Spirit in us and say 'Oh, close enough's good enough.'?

That doesn't sound like the Jesus I know. He is a '*It is finished*' kind of guy! And as He has put His very Spirit within us, that makes us '*It is finished*' kind of people, because Jesus finished everything.



As Bill Johnson puts it:

“Our commission is clear: We are to disciple nations! And to ensure that this seemingly impossible task would be possible, He caused the One called the Desire of the Nations to live within us. This revelation of Him is ultimately a revelation about us, for we are His body.” Bill Johnson

The world thinks they hate Jesus, but they actually desire everything that is within Him, and therefore everything that has been planted within us. Why? Because He has made us to be life-givers, problem solvers, Kingdom advancers and unconditional love-dispensers. With the power of Jesus within us...

“Changing the course of world history is our assignment.” Bill Johnson

I think Johnny Enlow (author of The 7 Mountain Renaissance) expresses the heart of the Father, for the fulfilment of His dream, the best:

“Satan...I’m going to defeat you with My kids who so know Me that they refuse to settle for anything less than the real Me and My better ways of doing everything. They will rise up on earth with all that I am in heaven. They have My very image stamped into their core, and it’s only a matter of time before it comes out in all they do. Creation itself is groaning, awaiting for that core of who I am to be released through My clear-thinking sons and daughters. I’m going to crush you, but I’m going to do with My kids.

Soak Time

You are one of His glorious children, and He intends to crush satan through you. Do you believe and accept this as truth for your life? Why or why not?
