Series: Your Story Matters

Message: Your Dreams Matters November 10, 2019

What is your dream?

What is your big, scary, audacious dream?

God cares about your dreams.

- Stories:
- Hannah. 1 Samuel 1:9-17
- Blind man. Luke 18:37-43
- Father of Boy. Mark 9:21-27
- Joshua. Joshua 10:7-14

What holds us back? Fear.

2 Timothy 1:7 | Psalm 34:4

Getting started:

Speak: Ask- boldly, specifically, faithfully- state truth instead of as a question.

Connect: God, His word, His Spirit

Move. Do what God says; move in the direction of your vision. Gods will,

Persistence: Passionate, unrelenting.

<u>Trust</u>: Even when the sun sets, God is at work.

Action steps:

- Give voice to your dream.
- Grow my faith.
- Move toward God and his provision for your life.
- I am going to praise God (Towdah).

Life Group Study

For week of November 10, 2019

Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. We encourage you to take that next step in your journey with Jesus & His church by joining one today! www.seekreallife.com/groups

Share your story

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

What is one word or phrase that could describe your journey with Jesus this week?

What is one encouraging thing you can say about the person to the left of you?

Connect to God's story

Read Psalm 37:3-6.

From this poem by David, what are the benefits of:

- Trusting in the Lord and doing good –
- Delighting in the Lord -
- Committing everything you do to the Lord -

Why would it be important for our passions, commitments, trust, and the good we do flow from our relationship with Jesus?

Read John 15:5-7.

Is Jesus the source of your fruitfulness? What does being fruitful look like? What is the danger of not remaining in Jesus - of being disconnected from Him?

How can remaining in Jesus shape the desires of your heart? Can the process of pruning your desires be painful? Could it potentially lighten your load? If so, how?

Read Romans 12:1-2.

When considering our hopes, dreams, desires and passions - why is changing the way you think important? What is it about our thinking that can hang us up when seeking God in pursuit of our dreams and passions?

Why do you think it's important that you know God's will for your life? How could it benefit you? Your family? Your church?

While walking with Jesus, how has He shaped the desires of your heart? What desires have fallen away? What have grown and become clearer to you?

Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires.

- Psalm 37:4 (NLT)

My Prayer for 2019

My Lord and Savior Jesus, thank you for your gift of grace to me. My soul hungers for you. I want to know you – not just intellectually, but relationally. I give you permission to tear down every false thought, every lie, and every stronghold the Enemy has established within me.

I will pursue my relationship with you with my whole heart. I will hold nothing back from you. I am open and willing to receive the good things you have planned for me.

Lask:

- Work your good in me so that I might reflect you more.
- Work your good for me so that I might receive all that you intend for me.
- Work your good through me so that all around me, people will experience your love and goodness and be drawn to you.

I am open and ready for all you will do in, for, and through me. I love you, Jesus.

Amen