

“SEEING OUR DREAMS & VISIONS COME TO LIFE”

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Introduction:

Every one of us have dreams and visions that we are believing for.

Dream = “a strongly desired goal or purpose; to have a dream of and consider a possibility”

Is the dream God has given you still alive within your spirit?

Process = “A systematic series of actions directed to some end; a series of changes taking place in a definite manner, the word comes from a Latin word that means, going forward.”

Why do we have to go thru a process to see our dreams come to life?

God is making you into the man or woman that will be able to stand strong, with a firm foundation, in the dream He has for you.

The bigger the dream or vision, the bigger the process!

1. Conception - conceiving a dream or vision

When God created you, He already knew you; He already knew who you are and who you would become, and He already knew the dreams and visions He had for you. Discover who you are in Christ!

2 Corinthians 5:17, 20; Galatians 4:7; 1 Peter 2:9; Proverbs 18:24b

We see in the Scriptures many ways that God revealed His call for someone’s life to them – dream or vision, a word of prophecy, an angel appeared to them, God Himself actually spoke to them.

The most common way is that God impresses on our heart what He is calling us to. When you have your heart set on God, He will awaken your heart to what He has called and created you to be and to do.

2. Enduring - being able to endure the price of the call.

We cannot buy with money or good works a dream from God, but with every dream comes a cost and a price that the dream requires of us. Every dream will require some schooling both in the natural as well as the spiritual! God’s desire is to form us into the person we need to become for the call He has for us, especially in the spiritual realm.

Enduring may include doubting whether or not we’ve really heard God, feeling like no one believes in your call, wanting to give up, tears and frustrations, wondering if you will ever be able to walk this out and at times trying to make it happen in our own strength.

Sharing your dream too quickly and freely with others, can be a careless and presumptuous thing to do. When you share you are opening up the very deep places of your heart to the person you shared with, this places you in a position of being vulnerable and may bring undue conflict and unbelief into your life.

We often are looking to others, to do for us, what **God wants us to look to Him for validation, affirmation and confirmation of our dream.** The more secure you are in who you are, the less you will need to share your dream with anyone who will listen. Mary pondered all these things in her heart. **Luke 2:19**

Dying to the dream and the call! We know we cannot do it in our own strength and the dream actually begins to become a burden to us. **Habakkuk 1:1** It is a load and a bearing, a carrying of something that is too heavy for us to do in our own strength. **Matthew 11:28, 30.** His yoke is easy, and His burden is light.

Habakkuk 2:1-2 **Stand watch** and see what God is going to say and do. **Write down the dream** and call that God has given you. Write it clearly so that when you are going thru the hardest of times you can go back to it. Your dream will tarry, but wait for it! Wait for God’s timing! Don’t try to make it happen!

3. Labor - with every birthing, there comes a period of labor pains

Labor is pain! It is the trials we go thru right before the birthing of our dream. Enduring is the process within ourself, where God tests our heart and motives. Labor pains will be both God working in us and the enemy trying to stop us. This will be a place of warfare where we must stand up strong spiritually and take our ground steadfastly and full of faith, knowing it is ours.

Romans 8:31, Deuteronomy 11:25a, Joshua 1:5

4. The Birthing – God breathes life into our dream!

All of us will try, at one point or another, to make the dream happen in our own strength.

The vision has to be built with **God as the foundation** – **Habakkuk 2:18-19** Without the breath of God, the power of the Holy Spirit, our dream will be lifeless! It’s the breath of God that gives the dream life!

When God breathes into the dream that He created you for, that He placed within you, then it will have life! When we come to the place of dying to the dream, then God breathes into the dream and it receives life in Him! for it!