

KEEP DREAMING

2 Corinthians 1:20 For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.

God is the one who gives us reason to dream in the face of the challenging circumstances of life. He has made many promises in the scriptures which, as we meditate on them, give us hope. All God's promises belong to us in Christ Jesus. He will fulfill His word, and His blessings will come upon us and overtake us as we walk in obedience to Him.

Dreaming is an important step in the process of possessing God's promises. It was the same for Abram, the father of our faith. God told him to look at the stars and the sand, and told him his descendants would be as innumerable as the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore. This visual aid filled him with hope and helped him to dream. As he dreamed of the fulfillment of God's promise, faith grew in his heart and the day finally arrived when Isaac, the promised child, arrived in the home of Abraham and Sarah.

In 2 Corinthians 4:18 we read that we are to look at the things which are not seen, not at the temporal things of this life. It is so easy to be preoccupied with what is happening around us but our deliverance comes as we set our focus on God's word and His promises to us. As we do, we can apply them to our lives and begin to dream of their fulfillment. Through faith we can dream of abundance when we are facing lack. In the face of disease and pain we can dream of a strong healthy body as we fill our thoughts with such words as, "*...by whose stripes you were healed.*" (1 Peter 2:24).

As we meditate on what God has promised us instead of what our senses may dictate, we can obey God and walk by faith and not by sight, (2 Corinthians 5:7).

Faith is the substance of the things we hope for (Hebrews 11:1), and hope is an inner image or dream of what God has promised. Faith is

sure and certain and won't disappoint us because it is not based on our wishful thinking but on the firm foundation of God's unchanging word.

When we are facing difficult circumstances it is not easy to look ahead and see things changing for the better, especially when our hearts are troubled by fear. The nature of fear is to look at difficulties and see the worst, but when we keep our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, we can look ahead with expectation and visualise the fulfillment of God's promises. As we keep in mind that God is faithful to His word we can give Him thanks and praise, before our dream becomes a reality. It is in this way through faith we take possession of God's promised blessings.

When you meditate on My word and walk in obedience to Me you are able to align with My purpose for your life. I will enable you to navigate through difficult places and through difficult times. As you determine in your heart to obey Me you will move forward and nothing will hold you back from fulfilling your destiny. Dream of My word being fulfilled in your life. Dream as if there are no limitations for there are no limitations with Me. I will carry My word into effect in your life as you believe it and act upon it.

