

Dream On!

Ready:

Then Joseph had a dream.—Genesis 37:5a

Set

When I was 8 years old, I did a lot of dreaming. My dad would take me to college lacrosse games, and I would stand by the field saying, “One day I want to play on that field!”

I now realize the incredible power of dreams. Mine drove me for 10 years until, when I was 18, I stepped onto that field as a college lacrosse player. Not only did my dream come true; but God had an even bigger one. After college, I was drafted in the first round by the Baltimore Thunder and played professional indoor lacrosse for four years. God allowed me to use my gift of lacrosse to reach thousands for Him because of a dream He had for me! At age 17, Joseph also had a dream, but his was not fulfilled for more than 20 years! But he stayed faithful. His dreams eventually impacted an entire nation.

The following principles of dreaming can encourage us as we dream big for Jesus: Dreams come from God. God-sized dreams stretch us. Dreams ignite energy, passion, and drive. People often make fun of dreamers. Dreams have a season of preparation. Dreams take time to be realized. We should encourage other people’s dreams. Dreams are for all ages. Don’t miss the dream when it comes true. Dreams should glorify God, not us.

Go

1. What big dreams do you have?
2. What dreams have you given up?
3. Whose dream can you encourage?

Workout

Genesis 37

Overtime

Lord, thank You for having a dream and purpose for my life. Today I give You all of my hopes and dreams. Show me which ones line up with Your purpose. May all I do glorify You. Amen.

Bible Reference:

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