



NORTHEAST

MESSAGE NOTES

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Dreams—Part 5
“Dream With Me”
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Genesis 15:1-6 “After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: “Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward.”² But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?”³ And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”⁴ Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.”⁵ He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”⁶ Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.”

God given dreams will _____ us to develop our character, our competence, and our commitment to Him.

1. There will be _____ times

1 Peter 2:18-21 “Slaves, in reverent fear of God submit yourselves to your masters, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh.¹⁹ For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God.²⁰ But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God.²¹ To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.”

- Tough times are _____
- Tough times can either _____ or _____ us
- Tough times are _____

2 Corinthians 4:17 “For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.”

God wants our _____ to succeed more than He wants our circumstances to succeed.

Romans 5:3-4 “Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance;⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope.”

2. There will be opportunities to _____ up

a. Stay _____

James 5:7a, 10-11a “Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord’s coming...”¹⁰ “Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.¹¹ As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered...”

b. Remain _____

1 Peter 5:6 “Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.”

3. _____ with me

Ephesians 3:20 “Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,”

Your testimony of God’s faithfulness in your life will lead to _____ dream coming true _____ you.

Revelation 12:11 “And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. (KJV)

All scripture references are NIV unless otherwise noted.

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