

God-Sized Dreams by Sharon Swing

“I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father.”

Jesus
John 14:12-13 (NIV)

If you were to dream one God-sized dream for your work-life for 2009 what would it be? What might you be doing? What kind of redeeming and restoring would be going on? What kind of opportunities would you be looking for?

Read the verse again. Dare we dream God-sized dreams? This verse gives us permission to do just that! Jesus tells us when we have faith in him and do what he has been doing, we will do great things to show God’s greatness. That is hard to take in, but it is a promise!

Do you need a God-sized dream for the next year? Does your soul long for a dream so big that it cannot happen without God being intimately involved in the direction and details? Do you want to see God working in and through you like never before? I want to see his redeeming and restoring power in an up-close and personal way. Don’t you?

He may have plans for you to take a fresh look at the possibilities already afforded to you in your place of work that you may have previously overlooked. Or, might God send you in a new direction?

Early Christians were called people of “The Way.” Believing we are a part of God’s big plan to redeem and restore the world is part of “the way” we are to live. Our work gives us plenty of opportunity to be a part of the redeeming and restoring that God is up to in the world.

But, I wonder how many God-sized dreams get downsized. Doubt, confusion, and obstacles can cloud our vision and cause us to downsize our dream, or forget all about it. We are to focus on Jesus, not our circumstances. If every believer took these idea seriously; expected big things; how might the world be different? I can’t help but think that too many of us are missing out on the adventure that God has in mind for us. We think too small for people of faith.

God said you are a city set on a hill, whose light cannot be hidden. (Matthew 5:14) That sounds like a super-sized dream to me! Dream BIG. I’ll join you in asking God for confirmation, direction, support, resources and faith to do what he has called you to do. He wants to use you for maximum impact--of that you can be sure!

PRAYER:

Dear Lord,

Give us big dreams of how we can join you in the redeeming and restoring work you are still doing in the world - right where we live, work and play. Amen

TAKE ACTION:

Answer questions in the first paragraph and email them to me at sharon@onelifemaps.com, and I'll share my dreams and pray for yours. Let me know if I have your permission to share what you have written.