

THE  
SEED  
OF

*Greatness*

PART 1



There are desires in the **core** of every human heart that cannot be ignored, denied or pacified:  
***they must be fulfilled.***

As we understand their origin in God,  
we realise ***they can never be fulfilled  
apart from a relationship*** with Him.

“God is most glorified in you,  
when you’re most satisfied in Him.”

JOHN PIPER



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We've an innate drive within us that wants  
to undertake some superhuman feat  
***so others can be impacted.***



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① The Seed of Greatness expresses itself in  
***RISK-TAKING AND THE HEROIC***

When we see someone's  
greatness, ***it inspires us to***  
***our own*** – until our fears and  
pragmatism start speaking to us.



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# RISK-TAKING AND THE HEROIC


Heidi Baker, giving up her life  
to reach the **poorest of the poor**.



Jim Elliot, the missionary who gave his life  
literally, **died as a martyr** trying to reach  
the tribal people of South America,  
from whom came the famous quote:  
*"He is no fool who gives what he cannot  
keep, to gain that which he cannot lose."*



② The Seed of Greatness expresses itself in  
***MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN  
THE LIVES OF OTHERS***



Our God-given desires include our  
longing to ***contribute to the lives of  
others*** – those we care about,  
as well as those whom we've never met.



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This desire to bring joy and make an impact on others is something **put in our hearts** by the God who loves people.

We are **not content** to experience the greatness of God's love **alone**.



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God planted the seed of greatness within us  
with the expressed ***intent of partnering with us.***  
He makes it clear that His perfect plan includes  
our imperfect co-operation.



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③ The Seed of Greatness expresses itself in  
***OUR ROLE IN THE GLOBAL STORY***

The culmination of that partnership is for us to function as the ***Bride of Christ***, joined together and **fully in love** with Jesus, ruling and reigning with Him.





While some might think of the desire for greatness as innately self-serving, it is not.

Neither is it a sign of vanity.

***It's an expression of being created  
in the likeness of God.***



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We must realise that mankind cannot  
repent for having the propensity for  
greatness, but only for ***seeking to  
fulfill it in wrong ways.***



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The truth is – we're created by a great God  
to be great, but we'll have lasting  
significance ***only as we walk in obedience***  
***to God's will for our lives.***



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While we may be wowed by stage presence  
and pomp, deep within, we're impacted  
most by the people who walk out their  
commitments with ***daily consistency***.



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HEBREWS 6:10

For God is not unjust to forget your work and labour of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

MATTHEW 10:42

And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward.

**Because we have the seed of greatness in us,  
we can *do small things in a great way.***



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