

WILLIAM CAREY 1761-1834 FATHER OF MODERN MISSIONS

•He was a poor shoemaker. He hung a map of the world in his little shop and prayed over the nations. His motto became:

'Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God.'

•He had no fame, no backing, no riches—just a vision and faith.

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Frustrated ones...

- a. Exhaustion they are worn out.
- **b.** Excuses they are full of excuses.
- c. Envy -they compare with others.
- d. Eagerness passion but no direction

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- 2. *Frustrated* those who dream, but seldom see things happen.
- 3. **Fulfilled** Those who dreams and see it comes to pass and live with a sense of purpose.

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God invites us to ask BIG!

Psalm 81:10 (AMP)

"...Open your mouth wide and I will fill it."

Jeremiah 33:3 (AMP)

³ Call to Me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things, fenced in and hidden, which you do not know (do not distinguish and recognize, have knowledge of and understand).

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Mark 9:23 (GW)

Jesus said to him, "As far as possibilities go, everything is possible for the person who believes."

Mark 9:23 (NKJV)

Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."

Ephesians 3:20 (MSG)

God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us.

Seven Foundation Stones

1 A Significant Vision from God

Genesis 37:5 (AMP)
Now Joseph had a dream and he told it to his brothers, and they hated him still more.

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Colossians 4:17 (NKJV)

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17 And say to Archippus, "Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you may fulfill it."

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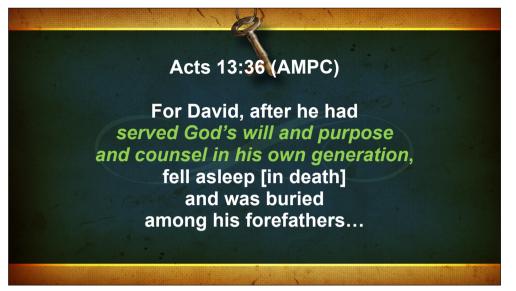
17 And say to Archippus, See that you discharge carefully [the duties of] the ministry and fulfill the stewardship which you have received in the Lord.

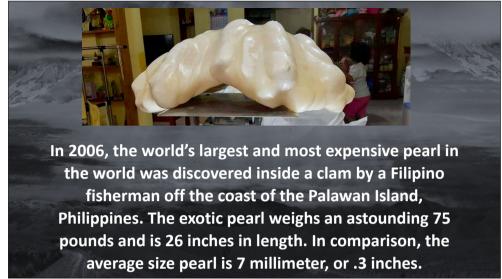
Philippians 1:23-24 (AMP)

But I am hard pressed between the two.

My yearning desire is to depart (to be free of this world, to set forth) and be with Christ, for that is far, far better;

24 But to remain in my body is more needful and essential for your sake.





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PAY ATTENTION TO...

- a. To the inner witness of the Holy Spirit What is being stirred in your spirit?
- b. To the unhappy voice this is where you receive your ideas. What grieves you?
- c. To the successful voice this is where you receive your advice. What's giving fruit?
- d. To the voice of your influence this is where you receive your feedback. What need alignment?
- e. To the prophetic voice this is where you receive your attitude. Can you still see?

Genesis 25:27-34 (NLT)

27 As the boys grew up, Esau became a skillful hunter. He was an outdoorsman, but Jacob had a quiet temperament, preferring to stay at home. 28 Isaac loved Esau because he enjoyed eating the wild game Esau brought home, but Rebekah loved Jacob. 29 One day when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau arrived home from the wilderness exhausted and hungry. 30 Esau said to Jacob, "I'm starved! Give me some of that red stew!" (This is how Esau got his other name, Edom, which means "red.")

Genesis 25:31-34 (NLT)

31 "All right," Jacob replied, "but trade me your rights as the firstborn son."

32 "Look, I'm dying of starvation!" said Esau. "What good is my birthright to me now?"

33 But Jacob said, "First you must swear that your birthright is mine." So Esau swore an oath, thereby selling all his rights as the firstborn to his brother, Jacob.

34 Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and lentil stew. Esau ate the meal, then got up and left. He showed contempt for his rights as the firstborn.

BIRTHRIGHT

- 1. Carrying the family name for survival
- 2. Imagery for everything your family stands for
- 3. Entitles a person twice the inheritance (You have to take care of brother's family)
- 4. Essentially, a summary statement of your destiny; that means "Everything I could be, if I fully use the gift of God's breath"

Esau says, "what good is the birthright if it doesn't meet for present urge"

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Hebrews 12:16-17 (NLT)

Make sure that no one is immoral or godless like Esau, who traded his birthright as the firstborn son for a single meal.

17 You know that afterward, when he wanted his father's blessing, he was rejected. It was too late for repentance, even though he begged with bitter tears.

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- 1 A Significant Vision from God
- 2 A Secure Relationship with God

Genesis 39:2 (NIV)

² The LORD was with Joseph....



Matthew 25:2-4 (NLT)

Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.

The five who were foolish didn't take enough olive oil for their lamps, 4 but the other five were wise enough to take along extra oil.

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Four Ingredients of Intimacy

- 1. Security *I am loved unconditionally* [Intimidation is the opposite of intimacy]
- 2. Self-Worth I am important to you
- 3. Sensitivity I want to meet your needs.
- 4. Sharing I want to spend time with you

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- 3 A Special Giftedness from God

Genesis 39:3 (AMP)

And his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord made all that he did to flourish and succeed in his hand.

Thoughts about Special Giftedness:

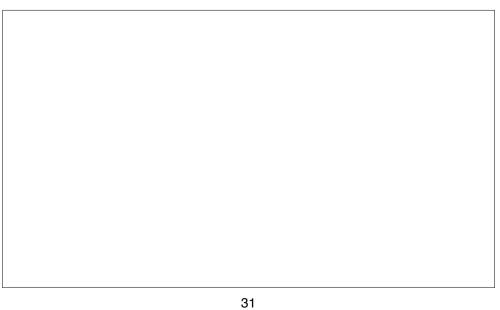
- 1. We often COVET gifts that others have.
- 2. God determines what best suits us.
- 3. The Gift makes room and unlocks doors for you.
- 4. Gift does not mean the person is mature or has character.

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Genesis 39:7-9 (AMP)

- 7 Then after a time his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph, and she said, Lie with me.
- ⁸ But he refused and said to his master's wife, See here, with me in the house my master has concern about nothing; he has put all that he has in my care.
- ⁹ He is not greater in this house than I am; nor has he kept anything from me except you, for you are his wife. How then can I do this great evil and sin against God?

Character Quotes

- 1. Gifts are given to us Character is developed by us
- 2. Our character colors our perspective
- 3. Only good character will give me lasting success with people
- 4. We cannot rise above the limitations of our character

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COMMON FOUR FLAWS IN CHARACTER

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- 1. Arrogance
- 2. Aloneness
- 3. Adventure
- 4. Adultery

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- 4 A Strong Character developed through difficulties
- 5 A Spiritual Empowerment of the Holy Spirit

Genesis 41:38 (NLT)... "Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?"

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Genesis 41:12,14 (NLT)

There was a young Hebrew man with us in the prison who was a slave of the captain of the guard. We told him our dreams, and he told us what each of our dreams meant. 14 Pharaoh sent for Joseph at once, and he was quickly brought from the prison.."

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- 7 A Steadfast Capacity to handle conflicts

Genesis 45:4-8, 50:20

"You meant it for evil, but God meant it for good"

Whatever you don't forgive you're destined to repeat!

Unforgiveness is the umbilical cord that keeps you tied to the past. When you forgive, you cut that cord. When you refuse to, you remain tethered to memories that can affect you for the rest of your life.

Don't sacrifice your future to an idol that's not worthy of your worship!