

All right, we're back. We've done the first two talks, on he runs faster than me. The light is green in the kingdom. Who's been telling you the light's red? So, there we go. We're on three now. I want to hit this. I laid a lot of foundation in chapter one and two, and I think chapter one'll be called The Answer's Yes, and chapter two will be called The Father's Desire: Our Purpose. So three, we're going to ... Excuse me. Three, we're going to really hit desire realized, and actually just Dreaming With the Father is what I want to call it.

I want you to understand that desire realized is the tree of life, and that he made you for desire. He made you for his pleasure, to enjoy you as family, not to use you. And so I want you to understand that you don't use your children, hopefully, or you probably wouldn't be listening or reading this, but you don't use your children. You enjoy them. That, my children have become probably, and will be when I leave this Earth, my greatest accomplishment as far as giving my life away to someone intimately, so that they have the best of everything I could give them, my heart, my soul, my wealth, anything that I can give them.

Because see, I have this metaphor I live by, that my life will be defined by the generations that are left behind. Not only will my children define my life as successful or not, but my grandchildren, and my great-grandchildren, and my great-great-great-grandchildren. What will they think about what I left? Will they feel a sense of awe that they're like, "Wow, you know, great-great-great-grandfather, you know, he really left a fresh breath for generations, fresh air, a fresh ceiling that was his ... You know, you left a floor that set us up higher, that became ... His floor became our ceiling." Will that be what they think, or will they think something else? The other else is, like, negative, and we won't go down that path, but that's really what life has become for me, because you know, dreams ... I want to hit the dream piece in this, Dreaming With the Father, because you know, your dreams and desires change. See, excuse me, I got something, some scratch in my throat here.

I want you to understand that when you were born, God had a dream, and he wrapped your body around it, so the dreams that you should be stewarding, and unpacking, and living out were put in you before you were ever born, and if you read Psalms 139, you'd get enough evidence here, but here's the other thing that I realized, is the desire realized is the tree of life, meaning that now the tree of life resides in you, because Christ lives in you, and if Christ lives in you and the father lives in you, let me tell you something, the tree of life is there. They are the author of the tree of life, okay? And the holy spirit.

So, if that's true, and desire is day of sire, father. Now, not all desire is of our father. Some desire is of the other father, the father of lies. Well, we don't want to pick those desires up. It's easy to tell what those desires of, because you can look over in James, where he describes the difference between ... Or he describes the wisdom that's deviant and devilish. That, we do not want to pick up. We want to pick up the desires of the kingdom, and the values of the father, and it's pretty clear to see where those are at. If you look in Jesus, you find them. He says, "If you see me, you've seen the father," so all you have to do is look at Jesus to get a picture of the father's values.

So, as you study that out and learn how to walk in the values of the kingdom, then the desire that's in you starts bubbling up at different ages in your life, as you grow into the place where some of these dreams can be lived out. This is exciting, because what I want you to get about this is that you were born with the dream of the father, and the very thing that will make your heart beat fast and make you fully alive was put in you while you were being formed in your mother's womb. So this means that the only dreams that you really have to steward and go after are the ones that were already assigned to your heart while you were being created in your mother's womb.

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How exciting is that? That means that you don't have to look for them. That means that you don't have to try to get someone else's dreams, or stuff. That means you don't have to worry about Sally down the street, or Fred up the road, or Tom and his wife, and try to measure up to them. That means that the measuring stick is actually in your own heart, put there by the father while you were being created.

I know this is probably, you know, you can read Psalms 139. There's other places, but the key is this. I only steward the dreams that are in my own heart, because the dreams that are in my own heart are from him. It's an easy litmus test for me. If it violates the kingdom, if it violates the word of God, let me be clear that's what the kingdom is, if it violates the written word of God and it violates the values that him and I share together, based on our relationship out of the word of God, then it's not him. There you go. So, if you're wondering if a desire inside your heart is the father, and you want to take Fred's wife and have her for your wife, that's not a desire of our father. That's the other guy, okay?

I know that's just an easy way to delineate. I want you to understand that if it violates his heart, it's not him, and his heart is written in the word of God for you, as a foundation of guardrails, not as a book of rules that you have to kind of live up to, because Paul said you can't live up to it. Paul said that the letter of the law kills you, but the spirit will give you life. The letter killeth, the spirit gives life, meaning that if you try to take the word of God and live it without the power of the holy spirit, you will fail, period. Actually, grace is the empowerment of the father for us to live at the level that he wants us to live. Without his grace, we're not going to be able to live any level like that. So, I deviated a little bit.

But I want you to understand that the desire in your heart, when they start bubbling up, start talking to the father about them. "Man, this is ..." Because I'll be honest with you. Some of the dreams I have now, I didn't have 10 years ago. Well, where were they? They were hidden. If you read over in Ruth, you'll see that Boaz told the leaders, "As you glean the wheat, leave some on the ground," and the terminology in King James says, "Leave handfuls of purpose," not on purpose, but of purpose. You realize that the father has left handfuls of purpose inside of you, that at different times in your life, as you grow into the place where he knows you're ready for it, just like you wouldn't give your five-year-old son or daughter the keys to your car. Why? Not because you don't trust them and love them. It's because they haven't grown up enough to handle that yet. He's better than us, so you know, he knows when we're ready.

And what happens is, he has these handfuls of purpose hidden in our own heart, covered if you will. You can't even see them many times. That's why people say, "Well, you know, I finally found what I'm supposed to be and do." Well, I do believe that the older you get, you have a more laser-like focus if you find these things in your life that you're called to. I believe that 100%, but I could tell you this. I don't care how old you are and what you just stepped in, there's always more, because the father's going somewhere else, and you're going with him if you walk with him. This is his heart for you, and that there's dreams inside of you that you don't even know are there right now, and you think you've figured it all out. I'm telling you, it doesn't matter whether you're 55, 65, 75. If you keep walking with him, he's going somewhere else, and I'm telling you, he's got some new territory to take us in, that's going to require some of the things in our heart to bubble up and come out, and we steward it, and we get to do it with him.

This is what's so exciting about it. See, I think if people actually met the father and realized that he wanted to live a life with you, and he wanted to be with you in this process of you doing life with him and him doing life with you, just like Jesus did with the disciples, I think that you'd be more excited about your relationship, and you'd see him in a different light. It

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doesn't remove his glory, his awe, him being the God of the universe who made everything, and holy beyond measure, and all the things that we say, that are true by the way, but he's father first. How do I know that? Because Jesus taught the disciples, "This is how you pray. Our father."

The first words out of Jesus's mouth in the prayers, "Our father." Why? Because he's father first. He didn't say God. Notice that Jesus didn't ever address him like that. You can't find where Jesus addressed him like he's so holy, he's so pure, he's so awesome, he's so ... What you always see Jesus doing is, "I do the will of my father." Every time he talked about God, he said, "The father and I are one." Just look. He might address him as God some, but that was in front of the religious people most of the time, just to have a conversation with them, but if you look at his own relationship with the disciples that he was intimate with, and in the writings, you can't find where he does all the descriptions that were in the Old Testament, that were written. I mean, like Isaiah gives all these names, you know? The mighty counselor, the everlasting father. He gives all these names, and they're all in the Old Testament, in just that one chapter.

But Jesus always addressed him as father. Why? Because he's our father first, God second. I know people are going to say, "You can't say he's God second." I'm telling you, this is what I believe, and it doesn't take away that I think he is the ruler of the universe, and he is the God who made everything you see, and he is holy, holy, holy beyond measure. It takes none of that away from him when I say he's father first. I actually think he likes being father first, because if he didn't, why wouldn't Jesus say, "Well, our holy God, who art in Heaven?" He didn't. He said, "Our father, who art in Heaven." Think about that. The master himself wanted us to know that he wanted to be father to us.

And here's the deal. The only point I'm trying to make is I believe that he's holy, holy. I believe in all the descriptions and the names that he carries, and that his measure of pureness and light is so beyond what I could think or conceive, or even ask, but what I want you to get is that the reason for this is that he wants to be with you, and if you could just understand that, and that he put dreams inside of you, that he wants to walk with you to help unpack, you and him doing it together, doing life together, as family, and as a family business so to speak, walking with the father, how much more exciting would you be if you thought the father was like that?

I'm here to tell you he is. I'm here to tell you that he loves you beyond measure, and that he put things inside of you that turn him on, and they turn you on. I'm here to tell you that he cares more about what you care about than you care about it. I don't care what you care about in your life. He cares more about it. Don't you care more about what your children care about than they care about them? They don't even have the level of maturity to care the way you care, because you're an adult and they're not.

The father cares more about what you care about than you care about it, and I tell people that a lot of times, that are believers, who are young, and haven't heard that before, and they look at me like, "Can that statement really be true?" And I'm like, "Why would people even think that statement's not true?" Because if you, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more would the father in Heaven give to you? Dude, you're not more righteous than the father, and if you don't think he's into being your father and walking with you, you won't feel the way I'm describing this, because see, you don't have to talk me into this. He's ruined me, in a good way, with this. He wrecked my world in '06, and it ain't never been the same, and after that, the record doesn't play the same anymore, and I know the father. You can tell me what you think. You can pull all your pet scriptures out to tell me

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that that's not right, but you ain't had my encounter and my experience with him. You're too late.

And I'm here to tell you, this awaits you. This is why I'm doing this. I'm not doing this for me. I already live like this. I'm doing this that hopefully, this touches someone and they have their own encounter with the father, and they start living like this, and not just someone. I'm like the little kid on the beach and the old man in the story, and the little kid's walking down the beach, and there must be thousands, at least hundreds, everywhere, starfish that have been washed up. They can't get back in the water. The little boy's throwing them out one at a time, and the old man looks at him and says, "Son, you can't save all of them." He said to the old man, "No, but I just saved that one."

For me, it's about the masses, but it's about the one, simultaneously, and this for me is a passion, to get the father's heart to people, and to tell him who he really is, to tell people who he really is, tell him who he really is too, and worship him, yes. That was a misnomer, but to tell people who he really is, because if you find a father like this, you're like, "Wow, everybody wants a father like that." Exactly. This is who he is. The religion has said he's not. I'm telling you he is. Jesus said he is. Jesus had the perfect relationship with him. Read it yourself.

What I'm really getting at, and we're going to end here, is that he wants to dream with you. He wants you to unpack dreams and walk out your life with you. And as you do that, God had a dream, and he wrapped your body around it, and he also put desires in you, and as those desires bubble up, he wants you to walk out those desires with him, and he's excited like you are when you see your kids opening up presents at their birthday or on Christmas, and you're like, "Wow. I just can't wait until they open that one." This is the way the father is. He's like, "Boy, I just can't wait until they see that dream. It's going to be so awesome." He gets glory by you having your dreams. Do you realize that?

It's in John. The father is glorified when you get answers to prayer. Let me tell you something. Why would you pray for something that's not something in your own heart, that you're dreaming of? You're not praying for glass that you can crawl over, are you? No. You're praying for the things you want, and when you get the things you want, the father's glorified. Hello. This is exciting. This means that manfully alive is the glory of God, and this means that when you become fully alive, and full on, and you realize this, and you start walking life out like this, you are going to be one turned on, lit up, overwhelming force everywhere you go, and you won't have to worry about telling people about the father. People are going to wonder, "Who's your daddy? because man, I want that daddy." That's what they're going to say, because they'll see something on you called glory. "The glory in which we have, father, I give to them. I want them to have that glory," is what Jesus said.

This is awesome. Anyways, we're going to end it here, because we probably went long enough on this one, and I hope to really start unpacking some other thoughts. I feel like the first three are really still laying the foundation to get a buy-in. I'm trying to do everything I can, through my intensity and my own excitement of heart with the father, and the scriptures that I know, and the values of the kingdom, to get a buy-in from you, so you'll get past any religious idols that have been set up before you, by well-meaning people by the way. I'm not discounting people who've done the best to teach you the word of God and stuff, but sometimes, you know, it's like one of my mentors said. He said, "You have to learn to eat the meat and spit the bones out," so even if you've been with some of the greatest men and women of God, and they were even maybe your parents, everybody has bones in their life, because no one's perfect, because God's not using perfect people. You do realize that,

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because if he was, he wouldn't use anybody on Earth, unless you're an alien, and if you're a demon, you definitely ain't perfect.

Anyways, you probably aren't if your an alien either, just pun intended. So, what I want you to understand is that it's a process of walking out, and I'm doing everything I can to lay the foundation that the belief system that's in you, that just won't let go of you having to prove yourself, and having to crawl over glass, and having to do all the dos and don'ts so that you get the father's attention is not God. It's not God. It's of the devil. How many times do I have to tell you that? It's not God. Now, I didn't say there wasn't going to be hard things. I didn't say that you don't have to take up the purpose and the cross that he's given you daily. It says that, but I'm telling you that you don't have to do that to get his attention, and to prove yourself to him. You had his attention before you were born, because he was forming you. Remember? Read Psalms 139 until you get it, because look, until you get that, and that lodge inside of you from religion, and that idol that's restricting you from walking with the father is broken, you won't move forward. You won't believe anything I have to say, because you're like, "Man, I don't believe that, because that's not my experience."

Well, let me tell you something. Just because it's not your experience doesn't mean it's not real, because I used to think the same thing. I had no idea who the father was for the first probably 23 or 24 years of my walk with Jesus. I had no idea who he was, because I had mixed teachings about who he was, and I thought at best, he likes me only because Jesus likes me. That was the best theology I had. All I can tell you is when he crashed into my world the second month of 2006, February the 5th, in that shower, and mashed me to the floor, and when I say mashed, I mean I ain't a big guy. I'm about 5'7", 175 to 180 pounds, so I'm not really tall, vertically challenged a little bit, but I'm telling you what. You know how big a normal shower stall is. Well, I felt like some hand that was too heavy for me to carry mashed me to the floor, and the shower was hitting me, and I was crying so hard that it felt like tears were shooting out sideways, I mean convulsion crying, not a little snuffle cry.

And the only reason I was crying, and the only reason that I was ... the mashing to the floor didn't hurt me was because I had never felt joy and love like that. I had never felt the intensity of that joy and love. I was crying so hard because my whole body was vibrating with love, and joy, and like oh my God, what is this? It was the father. And that was my first encounter, and I had many, many encounters that whole year, my wife and I both. We had people over to our house, and we'd have people have encounters. Why? I don't know why. I mean, to be honest with you, I ain't figured it out yet. All I know is it changed my life. I had been saved, born again, filled with the holy spirit, knows about signs and wonders, seen people healed, all the radical stuff for almost 23, 24 years, but I didn't know the father.

At best, I thought he might like me because Jesus did, and at worst, I thought that I should be scared of him, because all he's looking for is when I step out of line, he's going to bust me over the head, and I might die tomorrow prematurely, because I didn't do everything right. Isn't that some sort of theology you'd like your kids to have about you? Hello. No. So, I just tell you that part of my story because it's not about ... You can't take experiences and not line them up with the word. See, when people have weird experiences, but you can't take it back to the word, then we might have an issue there. We probably do, but as the time unfolded, I was able to understand what he was doing, and that's really not part of this story, but what I'm trying to get across to you as we finish this up is he's better than you think he is. He's more awesome than you have ever thought, and he has given you the green light and the answer is yes. What was the question again? And who keeps telling you the light's red? It's not the father.

And all I'm saying is I'm giving everything I can that you have your own encounter with him, and that's where we're going to end this one. And we will start on the other side with who knows what? What will you do with so great a freedom, that he gave you? Live free.