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INTERPRETING DREAMS, PART 2

A reminder of some points from Part 1, from the teaching of John Paul Jackson:

- The difference between a dream and a vision is principally in the type or content of the message. Dreams are symbolic, they are God's night (usually) parables. Visions are more literal.
- Why does God use ambiguous, difficult-tounderstand methods to speak to men? One reason, according to Job 33, is to keep men from pride. Another reason is that in choosing to search out God's vague communications, we reveal our heart's values. Another reason is that in the search, we learn things. *"It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, but the glory of kings is to search out a matter."* (Prov. 2:2) A major reason is, in ambiguity the cost to us is less. If God spoke in a vision and we disobeyed Him, He would have to judge us.
- How do you know what a dream means? Write it down, then pray, meditate, brainstorm, search.
- How do you know who the dream is about? WHERE ARE YOU IN THE DREAM? Are you the focus, are you participating in the action, or are you observing in the dream? If you are the focus, then obviously the dream is about you. If you are participating, then the dream is about something other than you, but you may be involved in it, such as church dreams or business dreams. If you are observing; for instance, looking down into a room or at a continent or a map, then that is self-explanatory.

Kinds or Types of Dreams

- 1. <u>Healing Dreams</u> These can be physical or emotional. John Paul said he was averse to a couple on his staff and thought they were creepy. In a dream he saw what had happened to them that caused them to act that way, and his attitude changed.
- <u>Flushing Dreams</u> That need to be flushed down the toilet.... because you have been slimed in the world, demons of lust, stain of the world. You may see showers of rain washing you.
- 3. <u>Calling Dreams</u> To tell you the call of God on your life.
- 4. <u>Warning Dreams</u> "Joseph, don't go home this way, because Herod is still alive."
- 5. <u>False Dreams</u> That emanate from your own soul. Things you want. See Jer. 23
- 6. <u>Body Dreams</u> That tell you about things going on in your body. Illness, being pregnant (at about 5 months of pregnancy a woman begins to dream, and she and the baby



are apparently dreaming the same thing. These dreams can be very strange.)

- <u>Chemical Dreams</u> Alcohol, drugs, medicine, and antidepressants can cause you not to dream, or to miss REM dreams.
- Self-condition Dreams Describe where you stand with God. You may respond, "I'm not like that!" Yes, you are. Be honest. What needs to change in your life?
- 9. <u>Courage Dreams</u> Study the life of Jacob.
- 10. <u>Correction Dreams</u> Telling you things that need to change.
- 11. <u>Direction Dreams</u> Do this, turn that way.
- 12. <u>Intercession Dreams</u> Tell you what or whom to pray about. Important to pray for interpretation and application; i.e., how to say it or share it. Look how carefully and respectfully Daniel reported his devastating dream to King Nebuchadnezzar. Sometimes in these dreams we see what the enemy wants to happen, so we need to pray to stop it.
- 13. <u>Black and white Dreams</u> A soul dream or a dream from the enemy telling what he wants to do. Pray during the dream for God's will to be done, and the dream will change to full color.
- 14. <u>Prophetic Dreams</u> Predict what is about to happen, people you will meet.
- **15.** <u>**Dark Dreams**</u> Happen in midnight settings, maybe a little color, reveal plans of the enemy to keep you from walking into your calling.
- 16. <u>Spiritual Warfare Dreams</u> Usually in black and white, show the enemy's design to stop you. Dark alleys, men calling out, "Get him!" Guns cocking.
- 17. Fear Dreams Show the cause of fear in your life, may show your kids drowning. Claustrophobic. Note: What you fear, you empower! The next step is that it may actually happen! Whoa! Pray against it in your dream, or afterward, and it will stop.
- 18. <u>Invention Dreams</u> The solution to your problem. An Understanding of things. The sewing machine, McCormick's reaper, came through dreams. Einstein had nineteen dreams that led him to "E=MC²"
- **19.** Words of Knowledge Dreams Solutions to problems. John Paul's father had a friend whose company constructed a multi-million dollar machine for the Navy. The tolerances required one-ten thousandths of an inch. When finished, this machine would not function. Engineers, tech's, spent weeks trying to find the flaw. The company was near bankruptcy. The man had a dream: he saw himself going to the massive machine, removing a certain

- 20. Deliverance Dreams Demonic issues, harassing spirits.
- 21. <u>Soul Dreams</u> Usually in black and white. To intimidate you, to put guilt and shame on you. Resist them!

Pleasant dreams!

QUOTES AND REFLECTIONS

- "He is able to present you faultless before His throne." Christ is able to overcome all of our faults and weaknesses. All of them! All of them! --- Rolland Baker
- Revival is a Person, not an event --- Larry Randolph
- The next move of God will go straight to Pastors (Shepherds over the sheep) rather than to Prophets or Apostles, just as the last two moves started with Pastors (John Arnott at Toronto, and John Kilpatrick at Pensacola)
 -- - Larry Randolph
- A man came to the altar of Che Ahn's church, repenting because of his failure. He had been a pastor for 5 years and had only 60 members. Che Ahn asked him what he did before he became a pastor, and he replied he was a neuro-surgeon. "Why did you become a pastor?" "Because the people in my church told me if I wanted to serve God full-time, I had to go in the ministry." "Did God specifically call you to be a pastor?" "I don't really think He did." "Then you are out of the will of God! God called you to serve Him full-time as a surgeon!" The man resigned his job as pastor and went back to the calling God had given him, and he is reaching far more people as a surgeon. And being a surgeon has always been the desire of his heart.
- Everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as their Lord is already automatically in full-time ministry. The only question is where that ministry is to operate. Is it in the world where the sinners are, or is it in the Body of Christ where the hurting, wounded, and recovering saints are, or is it in both? - - Paul Haglin
- Randy Clark told the story of a man, Johnny, a carpenter, who had been a hopeless alcoholic for years and was saved in one of his meetings. He immediately signed up to go on Randy's team on a ministry trip to Minaus, Brazil. The team shuttled from plane to plane and didn't sleep for about 40 hours. On arrival in Brazil, they immediately went into a big arena for a meeting. At the end of the preaching, Randy called all the team to the platform to pray for the sick. Johnny had never prayed for anyone and was scared to death. He was praying, "Lord, just let someone come to me who has a headache." A man in a wheelchair was slowly pushed down the aisle. (He was a policeman, 27, who had been shot 2 months before and had become a paraplegic.) Johnny said, "Oh, Lord, no!" and turned away from the man. The paralyzed man pulled on his pant leg and said, "Will you pray for me?" Johnny heard a voice say to him, "Just show him love." So Johnny came down, leaned his head onto the man's shoulder, started praying, and went to sleep. Suddenly the man in the wheel chair leaped into the air and shouted, "I'm healed!" He hugged Johnny and cried until his shirt was soaked with tears. (It is not our ability, it is our

MINISTRY IN MEXICO

Returned on December 14 from almost a month in Mexico. Lynne Cumming flew down from Phoenix, and we ministered first in a large church in Guadalajara that I have been visiting for about 15 years, as well as a number of smaller churches. There is a drug rehab center at the big church, and we spent a great deal of time ministering to men deeply hooked into drug and alcohol addiction and to their families. This ministry is frustrating and heart-breaking. One of the addicts is the son of the family with whom we have stayed for four or five trips, and whom we deeply love and respect. We ministered to their son two years ago, and he hasn't made any progress at all. He is intelligent, good-looking, and personable. He is married to a beautiful young woman, and they have a live-wire 14-month old son. And he seems hell-bent on a course of destruction. He is angry, abusive, and suicidal. He is also a mastermanipulator, as most addicts are. He has stolen money from his family, former employer, and people at the church. We spent an awful lot of time praying (and crying) with the young man, and with his family, without coming up with any solutions. If anyone thinks the inner-healing ministry consists of three easy steps to victory, welcome to the real world.

On the other hand, in one of the smaller churches I preached in (while Lynne was ministering to a ladies' group), the drummer was a large man, about 30-years old, with a rather impassive countenance. He came up to me after the teaching and said, "Two years ago you came to this church, but. I didn't attend the service that night. Later, someone gave me one of your books. I read it through without stopping. God broke my heart, and I couldn't stop crying for two days. My life has completely changed, and I want to thank you." Wow! That will keep you flying south.

It took an interminable 8-hour bus ride to get to Mexico City. I spent some time thinking about the intractable situations we run into, such as the young man mentioned in the first paragraph. I cried out to God for more ability to hear Him and to see what He is doing. Instantly a picture flashed in my mind of a pair of rabbit ears! Glory to God! The Lord was telling me He is answering my prayer. (Rabbit ears are also for seeing - think TV antennas.) So ever since then I have been praying for rabbit ears. I trust God will not take me literally.

Twenty-two million people live in Mexico City, of whom two-thirds seem to be in their cars or on buses at any given moment. A recent survey said that the average worker in Mexico City spends over 5 hours per day commuting, on top of 60 hour work-weeks. It is really a nightmare, and it is profoundly affecting families

TELEVISION PREACHERS

Lynne and I arrived at "Alfa and Omega," Pepe Quiroz' ministry center near Mexico City, at a propitious moment. In addition to an orphanage, Bible School, drug rehab center, and involvement in evangelism and planting churches, they have been involved in radio ministry for 8 years. They have a 2-

hour radio program each Sunday morning from 5:00 to 7:00 AM, which is the most popular Christian program in Mexico, reaching from 1-1/2 to 4 million listeners at any given time. A rapidly growing barrio near the Bible School is named Ixtapaluca. It is considered middle-class, and is the most densely packed suburb in Latin America, with some 2 million inhabitants. Not long ago, Pepe initiated a weekly outreach to teen-agers in Ixtapaluca, renting a huge, Quonset-type building, featuring eardrum-busting bands, and encouraging participation by the pastors of the few churches that exist in the community. Lynne and I got to share a mini-teaching at this facility, and many young people came forward for salvation and to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah!

About six months ago, an amazing thing happened. Israel, Pepe's son, stopped by at the offices of Canal 6, (Channel 6), a local TV station, to ask about running 30-second ads for their The station manager asked about their youth meeting. ministry. He was so impressed that he suggested they have a weekly TV show on this secular station! And he is not a Christian! They said no, they didn't have any way to produce such a show: no TV cameras, no experience, and no money. He wouldn't take no for an answer! He called them every week for 6 months asking them to reconsider. After much prayer, Pepe and Israel concluded this was a God-thing and said yes, though they still didn't have any means to put together such a show. But a brother-in-law of one of Pepe's other sons had a week-end business of televising weddings and loaned them his camera, some financing mysteriously appeared, and then some out-of-town big shots (Lynne and I) happened to visit at just the right moment to kick off this extravaganza.

Pepe renegotiated the suggested two-hour program to make it four thirty-minute programs: (1) on Mondays, hosted by Israel, slanted toward school kids (2) on Wednesdays, directed toward women, hosted by Israel's wife, Norma (3) on Fridays, to young people, hosted by Joshua, the young pastor, who, with his wife, are in charge of the orphanage (4) Sundays, directed to families, hosted by Pepe.

Lynne and three ladies filmed ten 30-minute segments in an informal, discussion format, with such practical themes as, (1) How to Know God (2) Why is Life so Hard, and How to Look at your Difficulties (3) How to Know the Holy Spirit (4) How do You Hear God's Voice? (5) How do you Know what God Wants You to do (6) How to Live with an Overbearing Spouse, etc. I filmed twelve 30-minute segments, covering most of my inner-healing shtick, such as (1) Overcoming bitterness toward others, God, and yourself (2) Fight for your marriage (3) Claiming your New Identity (4) Overcoming addictions (5) Breaking Soul-Ties

(6) Breaking Generational Curses (7) Breaking Witchcraft Curses (crucial in Mexico) (8) Physical Healing, etc.

Channel 6 reaches over one million inhabitants of Ixtapaluca presently, with an estimated audience of some 70,000 per episode. But the exciting thing is that the shows we filmed will be recycled again and again into infinity. (After all, the themes are timeless, like the Bible. Ha!) And, these films will be mailed to other stations in Mexico, Central, and South America, where experience has shown that interesting shows are used, free, as filler in blank station-time again and again. Also, they are exploring use of their programs on a satellite station in Florida that is beamed to Guatemala, etc., and use on the internet to the world beyond.

DO YOU WANT TO HELP?

Pepe needs a TV camera. Three would be perfect, in order to do a professional job of filming. They also need a mixer and a special computer. (Braulio, one of the pastors, has to spend 5 or 6 hours for each 30-minute episode, converting the film to digital mode. Lynne and I filmed 22 episodes!) Cost of each camera is about \$2,000; total cost is about \$10,000. At Christmastime, we are all inundated with requests for worthy causes. All I ask is that you pray about this. I believe that God initiated this scenario, and I am convinced He will bring the needed funds in, so there is no arm-twisting connected to my appeal.

The second thing needed at A&O is some volunteers to help with the orphans. They usually have 40 to 50 little ones (5 to 15 years old). They are short-handed. Pepe says what they need, ideally, is a couple, perhaps retired, to come down and live on-site for six months. You could teach English, learn Spanish, etc., etc. (There are several English speakers at A&O.) You could live in a small house on-site and have privacy, or if you own an RV, you could take it down. The site is at about 8,500 feet altitude, so it is always cool. The view is spectacular, only a few miles from Popcatapetl, the snowcovered, active volcano. (If it erupts, you would have a frontrow seat in your last moments.)

Of course, volunteers could be singles, young, middle-aged, or senior citizens (over 90). I am deadly in earnest about this invitation. This would be the experience of a life-time. Pray about it.



God Bless,

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